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A Voyage to California

WHEN President Polk's message of December 5, 1848, confirmed the discovery of gold in the Sacramento Valley, the excitement in the East surpassed even that caused by the recent victories in Mexico or the election of Zachary Taylor, the war hero of the Whigs. Eager prospectors, unable to wait for the slow wagon trains which could not start until spring, engaged their passage on any rickety craft that would promise to round the Horn. Nearly twenty vessels left the Atlantic ports in the first month of the rush and ninety more got under way in January — among them the sailing ship *Pacific*, commanded by Captain Tibbets. Carrying a company of ninety young men, she slipped out of New York harbor on the night of the twenty-third and reached San Francisco on August 5, 1849. The Library has lately purchased a manuscript journal kept by Charles H. Williams, one of the youthful Argonauts, during the six tedious months of the voyage. Williams was only twenty-one at the time and had apparently never been away from his native Brooklyn before. Very little is known about his background, but his entries suggest that he had recently graduated from college and that his tastes and interests were typical of the educated young men of the period. The journal itself is a large notebook of 182 lined pages.

Several of the passengers of the *Pacific* were destined to play important parts in the later history of California. Among them were J. D. B. Stillman, one of the pioneer physicians of the state; John Ross Browne, the first of the extravagant writers of the West; and Mark Hopkins, founder of the Union Pacific. Years afterwards the old railroad builder remarked to his biographer that as far as he knew "there was no passenger on the *Pacific* who did not become a respectable and useful citizen." Stillman's recollections of the voyage were published in his autobiography, *Seeking the Golden Fleece,* 1877, and one portion of Ross Browne's adventures appears in *Crusoe Island; A Ramble in the Footsteps of Alexander Selkirk,* 1864. The present journal, however, seems to contain the only complete record of the trip, and is written with such spontaneity and

exuberance that it makes a refreshing supplement to the more formal accounts.

In his impatience to be off, young Williams put his baggage aboard on the twentieth and said goodbye to his family, only to find that the ship would not sail for three more days. With unexpected time on his hands, he went back to Brooklyn "to eat the last of my turkeys," had his daguerreotype taken, and "returned to the ship with a few luxuries just in time to bid Pa goodbye." At the end of the first day at sea, revelling in the adventures before him, he wrote gayly:

> "Tuesday, 23rd. Sea smooth, felt fine, good appetite. Music in the morning, two violins, three flutes, an accordion, a French horn, and a dozen good voices. Ned Lefferts and Phil Walden rather inclined to be sick, rich scene. About half the passengers sick, good breakfast but rather late. Good dinner: tender roast beef, ham, potatoes, etc. Never ate more in my life. Singing in the afternoon. Enjoyed myself extremely this day. 7 o'clock tea, ½ 8 went to bed, slept finely."

In the two months that passed before the ship touched at Rio, he joined in the pranks and jollities of his fellow-passengers, kept up his reading and music, played chess, and wrote long letters to his family at home. He notes on January 26 that he "took a segar and Pickwick Club and soon was interested in its amusing pages," but the next day declares that when he picked it up he fell into a doze. Evidently fancying himself somewhat of a critic, he scanned the ship's paper and commented, "Our Pacific Evening Journal was issued yesterday afternoon. And abounded with wit, etc. As usual the editor, Mr. Bingham of New York, has a comic as well as satirical way of writing and touches up the Captain very *hard*." While Williams did not play any instrument himself, he attended all the impromptu concerts and was a member of the choral group. On the fourth Sunday out he records, "Dressed myself pretty spriggish and went on deck to practice for our choir." Nevertheless, the voyage was tedious and the young adventurer occasionally suffered from homesickness. As early as the twenty-sixth of January he wrote, "Feeling quite a longing to see old Flatbush and the many dear friends it contains," and the next Monday he confessed with even more feeling, "Begin to realize that a sea voyage is the greatest cure for Gold fever. Strong yearnings for Home."

"Mutiny" on the *Pacific*

ONE subject, however, was of never-failing interest to Charles Williams, and that was his food. After his first enthusiastic comment on the meals, he was more circumspect in his praise, and less than a week later was writing, "Things are beginning to degenerate in our fare and accommodations. Our cabin smells very badly, and the chief topic of con-

versation is the lack of comfort, poorness of food, &c. Row in prospective."

On the following Friday, the passengers gathered together for "a grand indignation meeting," passed resolutions, and sent a copy to the captain who would not receive them. According to Dr. Stillman, the committee, headed by Ross Browne, N. D. Morgan, and Hiram Bingham, pointed out that they had paid a first class fare and were entitled to first class food, but their appeal only met with abuse. The next week "salt horse" appeared on the table, and after a second clash with the angry passengers, Tibbets posted the following bill of fare:

"Monday — Beef & Pudding
Tuesday — Pork, Beans & Apples
Wednesday — Beef & Pudding
Thursday — Ham & Rice
Friday — Pork & Beans
Saturday — Beef, Pork & Apples."

Williams adds by way of comment, "Certainly enough to make landsmen's mouths water." From Tibbets's point of view, the frequent petitions were an evidence of mutiny, and he went so far as to publish a bulletin threatening to put the committee in irons, "which caused general indignation." The Brooklyn lad, however, took no part in the organized protests, but worked out an ingenious method of his own for supplementing the meager fare. The only occupants of the forward cabin were the Griffin family of Hartford, with whom Williams soon made friends and whose chicken and rice pudding he frequently shared. As he unblushingly admits, "I am quite the envy of my companions, luxuriating as I do . . . on hot rolls, fritters, pan cakes, sausages, good tea and coffee."

The irascible captain made himself even more unpopular as the *Pacific* approached Rio — where he refused to answer the hails of passing vessels and barely escaped a fatal collision with a Prussian brig. "As it was," Williams writes, "her flying jib-boom struck our spanker at the peak of which the American colors were flying . . . did no damage but carried them off." This additional sign of the captain's incompetence increased the resentment of the passengers, and as soon as they landed at Rio the committee sought out the American consul and laid their grievances before him.

A Yankee at Rio

ON Wednesday, the seventh of March, the *Pacific* entered the famous harbor of Rio de Janeiro, then crowded with shipping of all nations and "of all sizes, from a man-of-war down to a miserable little felucca, with her crew of Portuguese and niggers." At this time, the Brazilian capital was enjoying a bewildering prosperity from the frantic traffic around the Horn, and like the "roaring towns" of California was swarm-

ing with reckless and impulsive adventurers. Williams records that two American midshipmen who came aboard declared that "the people were terribly alarmed at the great influx of Yankees, and that the Emperor had ordered a double guard to be placed for the preservation of order." He himself observed that "there was no less than 37 sail of square-rigged vessels coming up the harbor . . . most of which were Americans putting in for water, bound for California."

Once ashore, Williams discovered a Brooklyn friend, Charley Buckmaster, who had arrived on another vessel, and they took rooms together at the crowded Hotel Pharoux. On Sunday five more American vessels entered the harbor, and Williams writes, "I found the noisiest set imaginable raising the old Harry, so that I was really ashamed of them. The Guards are afraid of them for in three instances under my observation they have rescued prisoners who have been arrested for disorderly conduct by them. Last night there was two serious rows, one just in front of the Palace." Two days later he reflected, "I am sorry to say that a great many of the Americans here have disgraced the name outrageously."

Williams himself does not seem to have joined the roistering crew but to have spent most of his time in conscientious sightseeing. The great slaveholding empire of Brazil, under the benevolent rule of Dom Pedro II, fascinated the democratic Northerner, and he noted carefully its peculiar institutions and customs. On his first evening he inspected the Emperor's town palace, "which has no particular pretensions to beauty of architecture, but looks like a very good comfortable house." On Saturday he and Charley Buckmaster drove eight miles out of the city to the Botanical Gardens and on Monday visited the beautiful suburb of Prio Grande across the bay. At the theater he saw the Emperor himself, whom he describes as a "fine looking man, tall and well made, with a very light complexion for a Brazilian." The Empress, he considered, had "rather a pretty face, but is a short and dumpy little figure." With a group of friends he climbed Mount Cocorando and for the first time saw the coffee-plant growing, and the next day attended a funeral high mass and a royal levee. His stay coincided with the national anniversary of the freedom of Brazil, and he was able to witness the celebration of that occasion, as well as one in honor of a prominent religious society. He was not particularly impressed by these displays, however, and commented, "I am getting tired enough of this Pageantry, and long to be at sea again." The real adventure of his sojurn was his perilous ascent of the Sugar Loaf, whose bare height he had first noticed from the harbor. He describes the climb in great detail, making much of the danger of ascending the smooth rocks, roped tightly to his companions. Typical of his age, he puns gleefully, "My life was hung upon so insecure a thread, literally speaking."

Eventually the rebellious passengers had their way with the consul.

and though he had scarcely the authority to do it, he removed the cantankerous Captain Tibbets and appointed another in his place. The new commander was anxious to be off, and after the necessary delay in securing his papers, got the *Pacific* under way on Tuesday, the third of April. Although Williams had enjoyed his three weeks ashore, he remarked characteristically, "I find Rio a very expensive place for my narrow purse, and I have often thought that it would be much better to stop *returning* than *going* to California."

Around the Horn to Callao

ONCE the vessel had left Rio, Williams quickly fell back into the regular pattern of shipboard life, complaining, however, that he was "getting tired of the voyage and it seems very monotonous." He does comment with evident relish on the improved bill of fare, writing the second day out, "Excellent breakfast and dinner. I could not have supposed that so great a change could be effected in so short a time."

As they went farther south into the "latitude of sights" — a whaling term which he quotes with obvious pleasure — the air became colder and the sea stormier. The journal is full of references to the black whales of the South Atlantic and to flocks of albatross and Cape pigeons wheeling above the vessel. On Tuesday, April 17, one of the great gales characteristic of the region struck the *Pacific,* and as Williams observed from a brief squint through the hatches, he never witnessed "a more gloomy or awfully grand sight." His own stateroom was drenched, and he barely saved his bedding from the inundation, yet he wrote cheerfully, "I could not help laughing, as every few moments something funny would turn up, some one rolling out of his hammock or bunk, or barrels and casks upsetting and rolling around, crockery smashing and everything in the staterooms not firmly lashed slinging around, a perfect cataract of water coming down the hatch."

A second gale struck on the twenty-first, put out the lights, hurled the food supplies from the shelves, and made it impossible to serve any meals in the cabin. For once Williams did not seem downcast at such a culinary mishap, but describes the cook's makeshifts with entire good humor. "It was fortunate in the ship being dry enough to keep fire going in the galley," he declares, "so we had a hot roll and cup of coffee dealt out to each. I thought I should die laughing at the crowd as they swayed backwards and forwards holding their food in their respective hands, every moment some one pitching the whole width of the cabin carrying half a dozen with him, breaking cups, spilling coffee, etc . . ." The *Pacific* weathered the gale in safety, but her plight looked so serious that a passing vessel gave her up for lost. Dr. Stillman recalls that on

entering the Golden Gate they "learned the sad news of our wreck off Cape Horn and the loss of all on board."

On Saturday, May 19th, the lookout sighted the Juan Fernandez islands, the refuge of Alexander Selkirk, the true Robinson Crusoe. Restless from the long confinement, Phil Walden, Williams's close friend, and ten others persuaded the captain to let them take a small boat and visit the romantic spot. Their adventures, highly colored to please his imaginative readers, were described by Ross Browne in his *Crusoe's Island,* but Williams only mentions the anxiety and annoyance of the captain at the irresponsible behavior of his passengers. For his own part, Williams declares, "They tell the most marvellous stories of their exploits in ascending the almost inaccessible crags about — and I should fill my journal if I should write 20th part of their tales."

Because of the bad reputation of Americans in Valparaiso, the captain decided to avoid that port and make straight for Callao. Wagers were taken as to the probable date of their arrival and the harbor was entered on Friday, June 1. Like Rio, Callao was feeling the effects of Sutter's discovery and was crowded with shipping. Williams noted the appearance of three California-bound steamers and a number of French and English warships. "Great excitements here," he writes, "and the accounts [of the discovery] fully authenticated."

On his first day ashore he decided to walk the nine miles to Lima, examining the Peruvian countryside with the same meticulousness he had shown in Brazil. In the capital, he visited the historic churches, the market place, and the tomb of Pizarro, but concluded, "The chief attraction of Lima, however, is the beauty of the ladies." Searching for relics in the tomb of Rolla, he had the harrowing experience of feeling the pavement crumbling beneath his feet. "At the moment," he writes, "I did not comprehend the danger, but found that I had escaped falling into a tomb 30 or 40 feet deep . . . I should not have been missed by my friends, as they would have supposed I had left the place, and could not have heard my voice." Returning to Callao, he was introduced to Lieutenant Falls, the American who commanded the Peruvian navy, examined the ruins left by the earthquake of 1746, and went duck hunting on the San Lorenzo islands. On the last day of their stay an English steamer pulled in from Panama, "bringing most glorious news from the 'Diggings' with awful accounts of bloodshed in San Frisco. Any quantity of 'lumps' came with the passengers, some of which I had the pleasure of feeling, which sent a thrill right through me."

The *Pacific* sailed on June 9th on the last lap of the long voyage, and Williams wrote, "Time slips along slowly. All settled down to the same old routine." He took up his chess and his reading again and with the other passengers made elaborate preparations to celebrate the Fourth of July. In describing the activities of the day, he mentions

a military review which was held in the morning with "the New England Invincibles in full force; uniform, red shirts, black pants, and California hat," and a hilarious dinner with "punch by the pail full and numerous regular and irregular toasts." "The evening," he declares, "was most lovely and a good many sights, such as chained bears, animals, etc. were got up for the amusement of the sailors, and all."

El Dorado

ON Sunday, August 5, the *Pacific*, fog-bound all night, entered the Golden Gate and San Francisco lay before the adventurers. Williams, already faintly disillusioned, wrote:

> "The shore is bold and rugged and the rocks covered with guano. At the right going in is the ruins of an old fort, which is on a point, and turning this to the right again you soon get a full view of the shipping and town of San Frisco . . . The harbor is filled with ships, some across the bay laying up and others at the town discharging of all sizes. The land presents a most singular appearance from the hills being covered here and there with clumps of tents, which are occupied by the adventurers, presenting a very uninviting appearance . . . We all went ashore in a short time and a most ludicrous singular and grotesque scene was presented to me. Everything shows that the place is just built up, and groups of all nations, Yankees, English, Chilianos, Spaniards, Mexicans, etc. and Chinese were wandering about . . . Everything is on the most extravagant plan; poor frame buildings of small size rent from 75 to 100,000 dollars per month, $500 per month for small stores, and everything in proportion. The roads are hard clay, and as the winds were high, the dust was most unpleasant.
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> "I was surprised to see such perfect order and decorum here. All sorts of merchandise lay about exposed, some of the most valuable description. The authorities caught and punished severely a party of regulators who called themselves the hounds, which put a stop to these troubles. They are still more strict at the mines and the utmost order prevails. A great many goods are most ruinously high and others very low. Board $10 per day and washing $8 per dozen, while shirts are $4.00 per dozen; the most singular incongruities occur. Gambling is carried on to a most alarming extent; great piles of money are lost and won by those returning from the mines. One captain won 75,000 dollars in one night. Passage to the Sacramento $16.00 and from there to the mines $32.00 with 100 pounds of baggage allowed.

The next day he noted, "This afternoon got our tents pitched in Happy Valley about ¾ of a mile from the landing. Have our water quite near us and using our gold washer for cooking." This apparently was all the use Williams ever had for his implements, since the mining company he had joined in Brooklyn suddenly dissolved. He himself was ill from the effects of the climate and in a melancholy mood.

The journal breaks off here, and there are no more entries except a few dispirited comments penned in May and June 1850. Though he

does not say so, Williams appears to have left the vicinity of San Francisco and to have experimented with ranching and storekeeping. He was still desperately homesick and wrote on June 1st, "Oh, for a lodge, &c. Sun hot today. Baked mallard for dinner. How epicurean ! ! ! Not much appetite. I wish to heaven I was on old Long Island's sea-girt shore." Two days later he went to San Francisco and discovered that his friend Charley Buckmaster had started back to the East, leaving him entirely alone. The dust, the loneliness, and the snakes seem to have been more than he could stand, and the journal comes to an abrupt close on June 16. The final entry reads, "Another great fire in San Francisco on Wednesday last. 3,000,000 dollars destroyed. High winds for a week past."

The sad termination of the whole adventure is emphasized by an eight-stanza manuscript poem, "He Died in the Land of Gold," carefully written out in a woman's hand and pinned to the closing page. As far as Williams is concerned, however, it is nothing but a pretty sentiment, for he shortly left California and returned to Brooklyn to practice law.

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Charles Williams's journal is one of a number of interesting California manuscripts recently added to the Library's collections. The papers of Samuel C. Upham, Sacramento's first publisher, contain invaluable material for any study of the gold rush or the early settlement of the state. They include the draft of his *Notes of a Voyage to California,* about thirty letters written in 1849 and 1850 to his wife and brother, and a summary of his experiences prepared for the Eastern papers. The Library has also acquired four letters by J. R. Cutter of West Cambridge, who crossed Panama on his way to San Francisco, and two poems composed in celebration of the Fourth of July by the passengers of the bark *Orb.* This vessel belonged to a group of wealthy young Bostonians and had been bought expressly to take them around the Horn. Some of these items will be described in future issues of More Books.

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in the Gord Ship Pacific. Capt Hedgetts.
Jan 22nd 1849 Ship got off at 10 this
detained a long time by weather and getting

Saturday Jan 20th Bid good bye to the family but returned in the evening comfortable night rest.
Sunday 21st Last of my Sundays for dinner, it having my baggage all on board and no change of clothing, did not go to church. Fine day.
Monday 22nd Bid all a half good bye, expecting to return at night, had my daguerreotype taken and returned to the Ship with a few luxuries just in time to bid Pa good bye, Got away finely in tow of Steamer Telegraph.
Helen with a number of friends, Dan Walden, Ned Wilson, &c accompanied us to the Lower Bay. Bid a final farewell to all, at 2 o'clock next morning, the Captain and the balance of the passengers with the exception of 8 who were left, came on board and at day light got under weigh with a fine breeze from the North west. and soon lost sight of land.
Tuesday, 23rd Sea smooth, felt fine, good appetite music in the morning, two violins, three flutes, an accordion, a French horn. and a dozen good voices, Bid Lefferts & Phil Walden rather inclined to be sick, with Scene, about half the passengers sick, good breakfast, but rather late, Fresh dinner Veneson roast beef. Yams, Potatoes, &c. never ate more in my life. Singing in the afternoon, enjoyed myself extremely this day, Tea at 5½ off to bed slept finely.
Wednesday, 24th. Rose with the sun, weather fresh,
Lat 38.53, Lon 71.12

fine, a Ship in view to leeward. fine breeze, going along 8 knots. no much of sickness as yet. Captain knocked in a Bbl of Apples. which went in a hurry. At breakfast this morning, demm three pieces beefsteak, 1 piece of ham. with the usual accompaniment of Coffee Bread &c my appetite is astonishing, a repetition of this at dinner only on an increased scale, after that a comfortable smoke, weather very pleasant. music by the Pacific band Two barks in sight, on our course passed them, played 3 games of whist, had a good tea. and are just going on deck for an hour or so. and then to bed. Spent a pleasant day, just at dark saw a school of black fish, being then in the Gulf Stream.

Thursday 23rd, Rose at 8 o'clock, slept well. Calm, weather mild. Ship rolling a good deal. much sickness, felt a little qualmish but after eating breakfast felt better, Amused ourselves by shooting gulls, Phil Walden also reading Pickwick Club for our benefit and Amusement. The weather changed suddenly at 11 o'clock when we had just time to prepare for a sudden squall. which although it blew very hard was a pleasant change from the sickening motion caused by the Calm, it rained quite hard at intervals during the afternoon The 2d Mate going to bed after his watch, discovered the black waiter intoxicated and sleeping in his berth. he was ejected rather summarily by the means of Sandy Ricks. pulling of hair &c the same man was carried out of the main Cabin for the same offence the day before by the Captain. & the Mate of his head. had a good deal of sport. fishing for albacores. a fish which weighs about 20 or

we hooked a good many but as we were going along at a fast rate were unable to board but one a fine fellow weighing 25#, which made a fine chowder.

After tea went on deck and amused ourselves an hour or so. singing &c. when the rain drove us below and feeling sleepy I turned in at 8 o'clock slept well till 6 a.m.

~~28 Lat 54 Long~~ Friday 24th Washed myself as usual. had a fine breeze all night sea rough. 8 o'clock. wind increasing and sea running very high. a beautiful rainbow this morning. as well as yesterday, eat a substantial breakfast, a good of sickness, a sailor very sick with dysentery not expected to live, I begin to fear that I shall escape sickness altogether. Took a Vegan "Pickwick Club" and soon was interested in its amusing pages. sea still increasing had to give it up as the decks were very wet from the spray. a number of new cases of sickness, also occasionally a sea bird, as which flutter considerably, the unlucky one which it catches, Mother Carey's chickens among the ship in numbers. feel quite a longing to see old Flatbush and the many dear friends it contains. eat very little dinner, has a decided touch of the blues, gale increasing, had to take in considerable sail, very few on board. all seem more or less affected by the weather, after a slight vomit, turned in at 8 o'clock, came very near being thrown out from my berth by the rolling of the ship repeatedly, we scudded all night under double reefed topsails, my slumbers were disturbed through the night by the creaks of cords, and the flutter of the canvas as well as by the occasional [illegible] passing, rattle it up pretty, very long all night.

27th

Saturday, Gale still continues, hard as ever I feel quite unwell this morning, for the first. Sea running tremendously. Wind N.N.E. raining hard all day. Kept up till 10 o'clock could not stand it any longer, turned in and tried to read Tristram but into a dyspeptic dismal time was so I laid with a cup of mashed potatoes, which soothed. I turned out and slept until Sunday. ~~29~~ 28th

This rolling awfully. Could not make up my mind to get up till after breakfast. Had a fight in me a little, which I eat and felt better. Wind N.E. blowing hard. 9 knots. all sail looking pretty steady. turned in at 12 o'clock, cold and raining. Found my stateroom had sprung a leak and uncomfortable enough. The cook is taking chickens, one of the A.L. lots one go and off the floor thing starting up. Ocean is left it to its fate.

The Wedding. I read the Church Service and sang a hymn - specimen of an apple, a couple of mashed potatoes, and kept my birth time.

29th Lat 37.19. Lon 52.20

At 8 o'clock. Wind Northwest. Cold and hazy, sea, feel pretty well, a little homesick. 10 o'clock. Saw a ship, the first in 8 days. begins to realize that a sea voyage is the greatest comfort God gives. Morning passing off. Afternoon, dinner over, smoke a cigar, a little dyspeptic, a little day dreamy, not to reading. Pitch which is my greatest vice. Feel pretty, this night. One of my fears, has engaging his second [illegible] in, in doubt, another

by a disgusting rat which evidently bitten on his face. He succeeded in dispatching it himself by closing the door and smashing it with a hatchet.

Things are beginning to degenerate in our food & accommodations. Our cabin smell, very badly, and the chief topic of conversation is the great lack of comfort, poorness of food, &c &c in prospective.

Tuesday, 30th. Quite calm. Wind S. W. warmer & more mild, all hands feeling better. Sailmen all on deck. Portuguese men of war floating along the ship this morning. Some good singing. Rob Brown on the guitar. Beal, the violin. Sandy my mate. Mrs Tibbets out for the first, and an invitation to dinner formed Calm. Fine chicken pot pie went fine. Mrs Tiffany making herself useful in making rice pudding for us, of which I have spoken more fully, now I have tasted it. After dinner it was excellent. Enjoyed the meal much. No disorder but everything regular & comfortable. After a game of whist we on deck commenced on death in pale blue, it being a fine night we had singing and dancing till 9 o'clock, when the change to blowing, to blowing, with light winds all night which, we of course.

Wednesday 31st. Wind still high, giving 10½ knots. Sea rough. Spent a dull day, had a great jobbing in pickles, after playing quoits in the morning, one of us, myself and my friend, 2 barrels of pickles. Much unpleasant supposing some to be thieves, (for as they had heated us with hard words first like retaliation), while in the act, two come off them, (working on from his station now), as usual, giving up,

[illegible] gale, we thought as we that they were safe, but arrived [illegible] next morning on discovering that we [illegible] in taking his own.

We have found [illegible] two passages between the Islands, Hinton & Brest neck alley, [illegible] keeping in [illegible] last night.

30.48 Lat
53.12 Long

Thursday, 1st Feb. Gale still continues. [illegible] nothing of consequence, 2 o'clock more [illegible] appeared. [illegible] presented a grand appearance. Seen it approaching about 20 minutes before it reached us, the wind fairly piling up the water from 20 to 25 feet. We made all ready for it, it came upon us with tremendous force, as though it would annihilate us entirely. On ship we let it cut however quickly. It blew a perfect hurricane, and this continues at 6 o'clock P.M., while the gale was at its height there passed close to us a school of sperm whales, had a bad sick headache all day. 3 or 4 stowed in bilge.

Lat 35.05. Lon 50.55 Friday 2d. Wind night and day cloudy, scarce of provisions, lowered the ship in the morning. Tried to clear them within twenty feet of the passengers but it strongly almost carrying the [illegible] overboard to half a mile and escape Cape Horn.

We had a grand [illegible] meeting tonight in reference to our future and passed resolutions [illegible] in the case, which [illegible] to Rio what it was [illegible] for a short time stowing [illegible]. But afterwards [illegible] under the [illegible] of a [illegible] has carried it out [illegible] days. Dispatched and dreams of home.

Lat 32.20 Lon 37.30

Saturday 3. Fine breeze & pleasant weather. Saw a very distinct rainbow. It seemed to come almost down to the ship on the water, and had a most beautiful appearance. Spent an agreeable day. We have had a fine run up to this time, averaging 8½ knots which is almost unprecedented. We run from yesterday, 12. M. to to day, the same time, 225 miles, did not turn in till 10 o'clk. am. during a fine moon light night.

Sunday 4

Lat 29.55 Lon 35.38 Fine gentle wind. Standing sails set all night, at ½ past 10. M. Burgess read the Church Service to all the passengers. We are off in a clear distinct voice, we sang the Chants, psalms & hymns, which sounded well and reminded me of a Sabbath at home. The utmost decorum was observed, and the day being calm and pleasant, seemed to lend a solemnity to the services, which were continued. One of the most amusing sights is to see the scramble for Apples on the Capts. knocking the head of a barrel in, as he pitches them, dozens, all hands make a dive for them, regardless of consequences to clothes limbs &c. We have just got into a scramble of this kind and I come off by hard fighting with some Dagos &c. I met with quite an accident this moment cutting my hand severely with the point of my knife but probably will be well, with an hourly, a lot a good deal of blood and pain just for fun. Spent a very pleasant day, and the fine moon light night stand on deck till 2 o'clk. telling yarns &c. dolphins porpoises &c. Ship. we are now in the trade latitudes and have calm warm weather. We have commenced a great improvement as regards table & other accommodations,

Lat 28. Lon 34,50

Monday 5th Had a great deal of sport playing jokes on each other. I was laughed more. Saw beautiful specimens of sea weed floating on the water in every direction some of which we gathered but found that it lost its beauty by drying, it is like a vine bearing berries and has a root, a great many flying fish about. We had a competition of poetry in the evening to bring music, and the moon being full made it delightful, then singing with the guitar accompanied. Mr G & T. enjoyed it much.

Lat 26.34 Lon 33.30. Tuesday 6th — 2 O'clock this morning off on a slight [illegible] towards the trade winds. The Capt says we shall have an extraordinary run so far and we think we bid fair to beat some of our predecessors, the Christopher Columbus & others. This morning a large bird called a boatswain with a long curving tail with two long feathers hovered over the ship as though he wished light, and it is considered a good omen by the sailors we are probably from the Coast of Africa, near the Cape de Verde at present. I wrote a long letter to my dear Mary, after breakfast with pleasure to the long boat and good supply of raisins & almonds and had a fine dessert, boxing in the evening had a severe shower.

Lat 23.29 Lon 32.23 Wednesday 7th fine weather for the last 3 days summer clothes in request. This morning we left the Tropic of Cancer at 23.30 weather delightful fine & fresh breeze most beautiful moonlight evening on debating society — had a good deal of sport from the humorous speeches.

Lat 20,28 Lon 36,38 Thursday 8th fine still, 8 o'clock report that a whale was seen. I did not see him

however, rather a monotonous day, got interested in Dombey & Son, delightful, love for the tropics, in the evening we had a fine duet on the flute,

Friday 9th 1845 30 miles steer, the Cape got up a hoax of a steamer being in sight, which afforded considerable amusement, indeed the appearance of the clouds, helped the deception as to the unaccustomed they had the appearance of smoke of a steamer, The Ocean to day presents a most beautiful appearance, calm as a lake, numbers of bonita fish seen about, and numbers are engaged fishing for them, Some 30 or 40 flying fish flew on deck in the night and I had a good opportunity of examining them, as a necessary consequence number of dolphins are about but being my day we have been unable to catch any, a chicken came so fine as our salt provisions have taken the place of fresh some time since,

Saturday 10th 1845 29 Warm & muggy, almost all the passengers complaining of headach & general debility, I felt good for nothing myself we started jumping rope as exercise, and found it excellent, I took a fine sea bath in the evening and felt much better,

Lat 12.32
Lon. 28.30

Sunday 11th January weather continues which is very enervating, I do not know what we shall do when we get to San Francisco, it is the hot winds, blowing from the African desert in which latitude we are at present which causes this atmosphere A large shoal of black fish passed close to the Ship today, Mr Morgan read the Church Service as usual, Mr Little read a sermon which was an excellent one, Test 23 Psalm,

Good singing & was invited to dinner in the forward cabin, rice pudding and other shore luxuries, afterward partook of a hearty one at home, of which the chief characteristic was plum duff, of which there was plenty and good. Saw a most beautiful Nautilus of a bright pink color, with all sail set, going by us. We were all much alarmed just after dark this evening by the cry of, Ship Ahoy, it was very dark and cloudy and I had gone down below for the purpose of reading, when the cry & bustle called us all on deck, We found that we had narrowly escaped being run into by a Bark which was bearing right for us, but by our showing light, she luffed us just in time to escape us. We were considerably alarmed of course.

9.24
26.42 Monday 12th Calm & appearance of rain. Nothing of interest occurred to rain about 2 o'clock, and continued at intervals to next morning

6.30
25.12 Tuesday 13th March. Fair wind which is rapidly drawing us nearer the Equator, saw a ship quite near us and it will be quite a common thing in future in other latitudes. Killed 2 of our pigs and made what is called hog pie for dinner, which meal being fresh, was generally liked and considered a treat. Another of our sailors was discovered this morning in the act of committing suicide by strangulation and was connected to the deep, without the usual forms, very hot at night, Capt Bryant tries to calm all days we may be 10 or 15 days

going the next 300 miles, when we will strike the S. E. Trades.

3.40 / 26 — Wednesday, 14th Gentle wind aft., very hot, thermometer 85 in cabin, the day passed quickly, hammock, reading Dombey & combing my hands, fifing and cooing statesmen. We had rather a original scene at dinner today, after getting through the 1st course we were to have fritters, we waited very impatiently for a half hour or so, very soon at length commenced jingling his glass with his knife or some other such noise, which made quite a concert, each person coming down would be hailed as fritters, showed to when they did come at last, there was only enough for one third and we had to wait again for the next batch, we have some pretty hard specimens of Mizzenmen in our cabin, but there are a good many very gentlemanly fellows, had an Pacific journal read this morning, which caused an immense deal of fun & amusement being full of witticisms, jokes, puns & poetry, it is conducted by Mr Rob Brown one of our most talented passengers, I am going to copy some of it when I get time, it will be published daily and give all the news of the ship, which appears like a miniature world.

2.07 / 25.51. Thursday 15th Nearly to the line, warm and raining, my hair uncomfortable enough, as our ventilators have to be battened out and hatches closed, which makes it terribly hot and close. Saw a flock of Stormies & Gulls & Cary birds around the carcass of the whale. The Gulls are very similar to our in their appearance, being of a

beautiful brine on the back and my large all were on board and in good spirits. I take a bath every night, either by having salt water thrown on me by buckets or under the pump on the bow, clean off about 11 o'clock calm and hot. Grand washing scene commenced, all hands turned out to catch rain water, for all washing and the greater part of the cooking is done with salt, and operators and dirty clothes for washing were brought out, it was an amusing sight to see us stripped of shoes & socks, pants rolled up, and shirt sleeves, in communicative wash tubs, in the broiling sun. I washed out 2 shirts 4 pr socks, 2 handkfs & Mr. Griffin Jan on the palm for washing.

In the evening had a fine quadrille and waltz and although the perspiration started from every pore, we enjoyed it, for the exercise, which we can sadly do without.

Very hot in my stateroom at night.

132 Friday, 10th 11 mo and weather very hot. had quite an excitement this morning just after our
25.32 ablutions, a large shark and two Canino cooking fish were discovered just astern, and as we remains about the ship, we were endeavor to catch him, the smaller fish are called barracootas, and are fine eating. our first mate has rigged his harpoon according but after waiting some time could not get a good chance at him, as soon as he left down they came again, We have almost a dead calm and the almost fabled fishes glowing with a few gentle puffs of wind occasionally to allow us the pleasure of breathing. we actually hooked one of the sharks but he pulled out, as it was Mr Brown-

but we have got the bolt now to take him with if he bites again. Then again we saw a whale spouting a number of times just astern.
Thousands of Cape Chickens, albatrosses, Stormy Petrels make a singular appearance rising and falling in the water. Indeed living creatures enough. The water is so transparent that you can see them at the depth of 60 or 70 feet. One of our sailors named Abram was taken with very severe fits + spasms and for a while was very dangerously ill. he is recovering to day. A gentle breeze has just sprung up, but the continuance of which is very doubtful, we are now within a degree of the Line and I am afraid we will cross it in the night. The rising and settings of the Sun in these latitudes are beautiful.
6 – P.M. Spent catching albatrosses from the end of the bowsprit. the fish are jumping out of the water in every direction and darting at the flying fish, who to escape them, fly up and become prey to the Gulls. We have already taken a few of them –
We have had a number of clashes with the Capt. who certainly has an ungovernable temper. after a row the other day, he published the following bill of fare.
Monday Beef & Pudding
Tuesday Pork Beans & Apples
Wednesday Beef & Pudding
Thursday Ham & Rice
Friday Pork & Beans
Saturday Beef Pork & Apples.
certainly enough to make landsmen smack water. We have a most delightful evening spent in singing & music. Some of us are fishing for sharks. Later in the Evening.

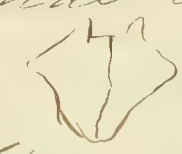
when quite a singular incident occurred, a very large fish about 15 feet long was observed, coming like lightning towards the ship, almost on the surface of the water. he had no sooner reached us, when at least a dozen sharks, darted at him and quite a battle ensued, which ended in the complete demolition of the one. I then turned in and found it extremely warm in the stateroom so that my messmate as well as some forty of the other passengers had moved their quarters for the night from down to the settees and dining tables, it was a curious sight and reminded me more of a party of Arabs encamping for the night with their parts colored night drapes. I tried it but could not sleep so, with 2 companions, picked my way to the bows through the rain and darkness which was the blackest imaginable, when I took a nice bath and then turned in to my own stateroom, where I slept comfortably till morning.

Saturday 17th 25 55 Was awaken this morning by a noise on deck of running and [illegible] and suspecting some fun I jumped out and in 30 minutes I was on deck just in time to see Mr Hunt pulled over the ship side. It seems to one of our guests Mr Edgar had made up his mind to shave him if possible and had been plotting for him almost all night. He turned in a short time and at day light was after him again when he succeeded at least in shaving him. We found by measurement that he was 11 feet long and we hung him up

on the ship's side. With a hook in his nose, so that his formidable jaws were wide open, showing his three rows of terrible teeth, the thought that one of the Sailors was ~~sailing~~ swimming under the bows when it was discovered that this fellow was smelling around under him. The Captain would not allow him to be cut up, in fear of the smell that would arise — so about after a free examination we committed him to his native element, he was dead known. he had been around the ship 3 days. after dining there was a strong appearance of a thunder storm, and we being within a few miles of the line it was expected it would be a severe one. had royal, and storm sails, furled and everything made snug. but through the afternoon it contented itself, with blowing moderately with occasional flashes of lightning and thunder, we have had a great many fish around today again. but have caught none. When night set in hard it began to blow hard and the darkness was fairly black — showing the vivid flashes of lightning with startling effect, and combined with that the water fairly filled with innumerable fish presented a similar appearance for as they played about the ship their phosphorus track appeared like gleams of fire. the Capt took his grain to spear them but they kept too deep. after a good bath, I went to bed and dreamt of home.

Sunday 28, 4, 50 We crossed the Line early this morning and with Neptune and Crew regularly on board and administered the rite to a few of the uninitiated yet none of us escaped with the fee of a horn of brandy, which seems to satisfy the old Neptune and caused him to

much in his life amazingly. Last evening at the height of the storm, we discovered at the mast head of the main & fore, 2 brilliant lights which appeared like meteors they are called by the Sailors, gifts of Lantern and are quite common in these latitudes they are the result of electricity where the air is highly charged. The weather this morning is rather lowering, but I think we shall have no rain. Our service commences at 12 o'clock today, on account of a suggestion from the Capt, it rained with at the close of it, but no enough to interrupt us. About this time we discovered a ship which appeared to be bearing right for us about ½ mile distant and some one got up the story of her being a pirate, which caused some alarm for the moment though. I doubt but what we prepared for any emergency of that kind. The afternoon wind off and kept on her course right ahead of us when she remained all day, at the same relative distance. I mine sails discovered in the distance, we shall pass within 2 or 3 leagues of them, wind died away entirely. The weather today is fairly fine with fair but they blow too much to bite. Engaged a comfortable dinner, fellow caught 1 ea. In the evening met a gigantic and picked the fine array hit 10 spinning yarns of the water in their wake, it mind presents a most beautiful appearance, being lit up with sparks of phosphorus. Its land then again in sight, and the pilot as they glide through in the course of the glorious breeze. The Nautilus at anchor seems to like [illegible] being on to

to light the weary sailor on the lonely deep.
Monday, 1924.50. Calm as usual and close
oppressive atmosphere, was waiting up, my
journal, when a great racket and confusion
on deck caused us all to leave our writing
and rush up. I found there then was an
unusual diamond fish  with his attendant
Suckers and 1 pilot fish were circling
round the ship and the Captain harpoon
in hand ready to plunge it into him, at
the first chance. After a great deal of
hurrying and intense excitement by the
powers of a few days he was attracted
to the surface and dismount the harpoon
right through his vitals, the blood spouted
in a perfect torrent from the monster,
as he lashed the ocean in his agony.
but his strength was of no avail for the
gig held, as he was hoisted aboard
and weighed some 3 or 400 pounds, we were
all exceedingly anxious to see him, but
having made him fast on deck the ship
gave a limber lurch and threw up again
which caused such a stir and on the land
as to save it and off he went to the
tune of "Carry me Back", he could not live
but a short time however as he was struck
in his most vital part and right through
him. it is very singular about these fish,
which attend him. the pilot fish is a most
beautiful thing being marked with rings, just
like the Zebra and is as active in the
water as what it is named, denoting this may mean
that may be for the monster. the suckers are
also very pretty, but more singular. they
at first sight appear to be dead. suspen-

ded as they are to different parts of the diamond field which resemble gills, for as the minutes opens and shuts these for the purpose of respiration. they seize the opportunity and place the backs of their heads in the cavity, which closing, then they remain stationary, it is hardly necessary to add that they remain about this for purposes of protection from sharks and other voracious fish. / We then are terribly disappointed of course. In the course of the morning we hooked another shark but the line being parted, he made one dive and away he went, carrying it with him.

Our meals are falling off and must be notably cooked. the rice pudding today was hardly heated in the middle and not quite cloud. Causes of complaint are becoming more frequent each day, we is making himself extremely unpopular, and every one has something to say against him, — after any remarks. he publishes a bulletin generally. We a day or two since in reference to any collisions of this kind with him, was to the effect that they must be misunderstood but in fact, which caused general indignation, I am almost sorry I did not go in the forward cabin on the score of comfort and expense. those that understand managing have tried in vain to keep it nice shining and having a cook for themselves live very comfortably as I often find, as I have found. Two valuable acquaintances, and am quite one of my companions, luxuriating as I do occasionally on hot cakes, butter, pancakes, sausages, good tea and coffee, — our tea and coffee are most

hand and although we have so much that is salt yet I never drank so little. The water is getting villanous enough and I felt it necessary to hoard my use while drinking. I eat very little dinned accordingly today ~~that~~ by imitation I made an excellent supper with my friends fried and turned in at 10½ o'clock.

Tuesday 20th 24.50. 17-south. Calm and sultry state after breakfast it was proposed we should leave the boats and board the ship which had caused the alarm Sunday, which still laid in a close the same relative position to us. We accordingly got down our C boat and also another of the same description belonging to a gent on board and made for her. The sun was terribly hot. and after rowing about half way a gentle breeze sprung up with some slight appearance of a squall, which came on very suddenly in these latitudes which caused us to put back, so we hauled up side and side with the other boat and gave race for the ship. there was only 7 in our boat as there was no change of hands but they had 13 in the other. the ship was then 2½ miles off. we pulled for dear life, being already tired. and our hands blistered, and arrived at the ship just dead and beat, the exercise was excellent, and did me much good. Our dinner today was much like yesterday. after the first course of salt pork, salt beef, ham, bacon & pork. Came dishes of dried apples, heavily corked at sea. As we were disappointed in reaching the ship we were running another only we were prevented trying the thing tomorrow again not the weather being calm, still, they were to

start at 6 A.M.

Wednesday 21. The weather has put a stopper on this arrangement, as it blows quite fresh this morning. There is no saying how long it will continue. The Capt. thinks that it is the Southern trades, we having now been saying for six days in one spot comparatively, drifting backwards and forwards and have crossed the line 3 times which will be quite a feather in my Cap. We are all glad to see the change for nothing is more disagreeable than pitching up and down day after day. With a tropical sun, darting its fiery rays down upon you and hardly a breath of air to cool your heated frames. I have nevertheless spent my time rather pleasantly and it has certainly passed very rapidly indeed. At such I could say that it was as profitably spent. I seem to feel an indisposition to read, study or any thing else. — Now I am going to stir up and do something useful. We have caught some albacores today, which are remarkably fine. The breeze has died away again tonight. My mind to an indisposition. The ship still maintains her position of us and from the fact of her being a fine steamer that we have strong hopes of overtaking her before she arrives at Rio. Took a bath and turned in at 11 o'clock.

2.30 Thursday 22. Wind fresh again. Trades in centre. Any quantity of birds called boobies and the gulls around the ship they are quite large and good eating. Sailed pretty between for a few days. About as cheap as having nothing better to

do. took guns and killed a few of them. but shooting for a ships deal is a different thing from land shooting. they flew very pretty and presented a fine shot. We ran out of potatoes for the first today, which is a great deprivation as I live principally on them. At the other end of the table, they actually discovered a piece of salt horse which had been accidentally put upon the table, by mistake, it was stuck upon a fork and passed the whole length of the table so that we might all have a peep. the Capt said that it was done by accident as it was Sean on Sturs. Our Pacific Evening Journal was issued yesterday afternoon, and abounded with wit & as usual. the Editor Mr Bingham of New York has a very comic as well as satirical way of writing and thinks up the Captain very hard. I did not think, but I expect it is rather an uncommon thing to run across the line as we did. In the evening I was invited to the forward Cabin and having finished Good Mrs Wilson's peaches. Took the syrup with me for dipping up the Indian Corn which was a very decided improvement, finishing my potatoes and sleep. I turned in afterwards and slept well, and.

5.00
28.12 Friday 23d. fine breeze going along nicely, fired in salute in honor of Washington's birthday yesterday. the sun is very hot still but the breeze lessens it nicely. We are this time enough to speak our neighbor as we passed her was running to windward about 5 miles. The Capt issued a bulletin this morning the forward passengers should not allowed to come into our cabin or remain about the quarter

deck which is considered very arbitrary and very an unusually gentlemanly mind and much liked by us. We are longing for the fruits and luxuries of Rio. I think we will be there inclining fine by this time a week. Spent the morning and part of the day in writing up my Journal and letters home. Due to Neil Wilson and Geo. Budd. Third had to study Navigation, Just begin supper this evening Quite a pleasing little incident occurred. A party of us were reclining on the quarter deck, enjoying the cool evening breeze, when one discovered something sleeping down the rope near third. He seized it immediately and found to his surprise that it was a singular unknown to any one aboard, bird about the size of a pigeon, he was evidently completely tired as if by a long flight and we argued from that that he was from the land, he was beautifully marked and resembled in what a large pigeon only that his bill was very long and wea-fork, like a duck

Saturday 24th 29.19 Find breeze still, keeping us full in our course, spread a few sails but not enough to give us a move. Saw any quantity of them in the water, but as flying fish are so plenty, that they are indifferent about biting. The Capt in these latitudes says that he has caught them repeatedly by their bunks, hard in these we would condure very much to our comfort if they could be taken for I am getting heartily tired of salt provisions of any kind.

Sunday 25th 29.08 31.11 The breeze this morning is quite fine. could not be finer, weather,

also as delighted as can be wished. After a good wash rubbed myself briskly and went on deck to practice for our chorus in which we have 6 voices the difference parts and 2 flutes. What made it doubly pleasant to day? We have fitted a nice awning extending from the main to the mizzen mast, which after our exposure to the sun's rays, can hardly be too highly appreciated. We had 2 fine pigs killed yesterday and from certain appearances I foretell a respectable dinner - The Sun at 12 O'clock today was Vertical. Our dinner today was a very good one, roast pig, which would have tasted much better if the weather had been not roasting) and we had a few vegetables with it. And plum duff, which requires no apology. I dressed very shabby, very comfortably. A good many of us are suffering from swelled feet and ankles. I was troubled some time ago in the same way but they have again resumed their natural shape. Our Sunset was most beautiful, beyond all expression and what I now called light, was accompanied by bright green clouds. A number of spent the evening till quite late in singing Sacred Music. till I got so hoarse I was forced to desist, after which I turned in to sleep. We have a company of young men from Hartford, who are generally very quiet and who you will hear almost every night singing in chorus their favorite hymns & Psalms.

Monday 26.d 11.28 32.55 Day this Continues, we must alter at a speaking rate, in the night I heard 10 Knots or so, rather dull business all as lazy as ever lie and endeavoring to do

as little as possible. do not know hardly what I did all day. Invited I cup for dinner which being an extraordinary thing I drew for for my Journal. It was first rate, what else was of it" In the evening although cool I took a bath and at 10 o'clock turned in. I was awaked about 1. by a sensation of a rat in my berth. Whether reality or not I cannot say, it was sufficient however to alarm me considerably at the time.

Thursday 27th 1326. 3½ Had quite a squall early this morning which was favorable and before which we fairly flew while it lasted which was only a short time. The wind though fair has moderated considerably and is quite light today. In the afternoon breeze up again. After dinner the welcome sound Sail ho from aloft was heard. and right ahead about 6 miles distant a sail was discovered bearing down towards us. we continued to approach each other rapidly and a number went below expecting to send letters by her. to prepare them they were disappointed however for she passed about a mile to leward. near enough to exchange signals. and give her our name. I hope she is bound for home. She was a whaler and appeared lying to. Towards the evening it began to rain and continued at intervals all night. I tried my hammock, but did not fancy that mode of sleeping so turned into my own berth which I find on the whole to be the most desirable place.

Friday 28th 1326. 5½ 57 Was called this morning about 10 o'clock by the Captain & mates giving their orders,

in the lowest tons, I found that we had been threa-
-ten squall of great severity, but for which we were
prepared. It continued till 3 A.M. with very heavy
rain, it was clear at Sun rise, but has clouded
up again, Wind fair going along nicely on our course
South South West. — Another washing scene this
morning, but in which I did not participate
as I did not stand particularly in need of it.
We had a beautiful rainbow again this morning
Passed quite near to a Brig early this morning and
also a Brig late in the day 3 miles to leeward.
We also passed quite near to a water spout
which however did not come near enough for danger
The day has been quite squally at intervals, succeeded by
a most lively moonlight night, I went up to the
main top and spent an hour in thinking of home
Thursday March 1st. 1815. 35.20. 2 Ships passed
quite near us. one within a mile across our bows. the
other astern. they were probably bound for the U. States,
from their heading. I came near losing my break-
fast this morning in this way. I went aloft to the
topgallant yard and met George Tibbets there thinking
it would be something to talk about, we proposed
having a game of Cards, he having a pack with him
and at it we went, and became so engaged that I
heard nothing of our Bell, till the conclusion when
I came down and had the satisfaction of finding
things pretty well cleared, Quite a number of bets were
made this morning that we would arrive at Rio by
Sunday. noon. mus. venus.
Friday March 2d. 2011. 36.25. Most magnificent
breeze still, going along finely at 9 knots
Most magnificent moon light night, which was
enjoyed as usual with fun of different kinds
Saturday 3d. 2230. 38.50. Most magnificent
breeze still. indications of land, large birds on the

around the Ship, clouds had a singular appearance. Quite an excitement on board I spent almost half the day on the top gallant yard looking out. In the afternoon two canoes looking S.E. were discovered. Some supposed them at first to be pilot boats but they soon proved to windward of us. Fair night though a little hazy.

Sunr., 5th 23.16 - 51. Contrary to all expectation we have almost a dead calm this morning with a heavy cross sea and strange of oxygen and lemons. - We have a Brig about 2 miles to leeward. She is drifting quite near us. Took my station on the yard arm as usual but could not discover any land. The devils darning needle hovers around and our hopes by flying in hand -

1/2 past 10 o'clock we got our 2 boats with some little victuals such as beef, biscuit, water, lemonade &c and pulled over to the brig which looked beautifully by, seemed as lovely of Baltimore build, with my rakish masts. - We accordingly started 10 in one boat and 13 in the other I being in the last. One boat did not start till 15 or 20 minutes after the other. The sun was concealed by clouds when we started although it was quite clear there being no wind, but as we approached it began to shine out in good glare, and the exercise caused the spirit to roll off in perfect streams. As we came along side we discovered to our surprise that she was the Brig Potrie C. Grand, 250 Tons bonded Capt Don Pedro Dorney de Francisco. And the indestructible Yankee that we lined a single side. Negroes looking giants. On other boat was a boy side, but none of our companions visible. We jumped on board and found that they had not been invited below, whether we also were invited, down we went. and really an agreeable sight met our eyes. There were two fowls crying the

usually warm hospitality of the Portuguese, the table literally groaned beneath the load of Luxuries. Port & Madeira wine. Pressed Beef, different kinds of Nuts, Apples, varieties of Biscuit. And also fine fresh bread, of most excellent manufacture, which last to me was the greatest treat of all.

After a mutual interchange of civilities, we bid Good bye to the worthy Capt and men, who also was on board, neither of them nor any one else on board but a young Englishman, named Ramsey who spoke English. He was a kind of Supercargo and interpreter, and was going out to Rio, to take a situation there as clerk. Our friends in the first boat say that they were terribly alarmed when they came along side, as they supposed our ship to be an English Man of War. Their fear and a number of mistakes, showed us conclusively that she was a Slaver. The Cuddy & gun hatch, battened down, and every thing on deck and wind as possibly could be, her decks were as white as snow and her cabin looked like a gentleman's Parlor. After remaining about an hour we returned back off. I took the pilot of our boat and they supposing I was in command, all touched their hats, with good bye, when we were a short distance off, they run up their Colors to the peak and we saluted it by 3 hearty cheers, the same compliment was performed in the case of our other boat, and returned in the same way. We then bended for our ship which we reached in about 40 minutes. The sun was now shining out in full splendor. —

A Jacob's ladder was hung up, a short after getting on board and we were soon getting along along to Rio. We passed the Pigeon Island. Ho!!! Sang out from the forward head and sure enough, my sight, tight, you could see the Pigeon as we passed. the entrance

to Rio. We find the Brig Sleeps along just by us, and if we have wind it will be quite exciting to see who will get in first. We begin to see evidences of land, as a few decayed lemons cocoa nuts and sticks of timber have passed us floating by. The sunset this evening was the most magnificent that I ever believed beyond all doubt, it is beyond all description. We seem to be perfectly entranced and for one hour we hands were deeply intent watching it. I will not attempt a discription of it. Towards night the clouds began to look lowering and gave evidence of wind & land. I turned in quite early, being fatigued with my long nap. But did not enjoy my rest much as I was soon awakened by the suppressed laughter of from 20 of the passengers who felt in a mischievous mood and were bent on playing pranks on different fellows. They kept up this nonsense till 12 or 1 when they gradually cooled off and I fell asleep again.

Monday - Mch 5 - 1855. 1125 I went on deck at day break and now among the first to see the land quite distinctly. The Sugar loaf as it is called is a very high piece of land just at the entrance of the harbor of Rio - and serves as an excellent landmark as it can be seen at a distance of 50 miles - It has very much the form of a loaf of sugar, and as it presents an inviting appearance. It is so lofty and difficult of access and ascent, that it has never been ascended, except in 2 instances. One of an English officer and of an American Ac. who both planted their respective colors when they remained

tell this matter, as, in one sense go to them,
The Emperor, issued a edict after forbidding
to ascent, the wind has blowing up this
morning, but is not fair so that we
will have to beat in. The ship being the 18th
is about 10 miles to leeward this morning
having changed her course in the night.
I do think we have escaped my discriptionness
very good, of the Japan Coast, yet was another
prominent we passed. called Cape Nojo. The shore
is the boldest and most forbidding I ever beheld —
the cliffs, that line the coast for some fifty miles
rise perpendicularly to a height of from 1000 to 3000 feet
and present a grand appearance. as the wind has
been very light since we have got passed, slowly in
fact, out of all of them, there is one far in
the distance still. the last one visible called the
Sadado, which we cut the rest into obscurity —
I am in hopes I have taken quite correct sketches of the Coast
and most prominent rocks but as I am not able
to do justice to the scene I will not not attempt it.
The breakers can be seen at a great distance, dashing
against the rocks, to a great height, though the ocean is
calm. Our position this evening is slightly out of
as there is a current setting in shore, and there is
no wind or anchorage. the Capt has taken the
precautionary measure of placing the boat, all in
readiness for towing ship if necessary. the evening is
perfectly beautiful, and the splendid scenery
heightened by a delightful moonlight night, in the
distance, near the shore can be seen a picturesque fellow
with his handy crew, fishing, being rather misspaced
I think we can requesting the mate to call me at
6 next morning. We have all been much dis-
appointed in not getting in today, we have been beating
about with a really wind enough to have the sails, which

is provoking enough.

Tuesday 6th. Came on deck about ½ past 6. Quite calm still. Looking on the shore we discovered a fellow, about 1 mile distant and hoping to get fish or fruit from him, we got down 1 boat. (that is a few of us who were up, for we wished to surprise the rest) and Phil Malden and some half dozen more pulled for him. A short time brought us alongside, and discovered to us a hard looking craft enough. They did appear particularly friendly, so we contented ourselves with rowing around them, we found that they had no fish or any kind of fruit and as hard a vagabond set of fellows as could be got together. The vessel looked quite pretty at a distance but soon changed by a closer inspection. She was a curious looking old craft, sharp at both ends, with a bow sticking up at the stem which made it a little difficult at first sight to say which was bow or stern. She seems like ourselves bound for Rio, with a load of fanning. One thing I noticed particularly, was her anchor, it had a stone flat upon its middle of which was built a fire, and upon it was fried, what looked more like a horse leg with some of the flesh eaten off, regular carrion - after this I feel quite in a good humor with the poor part of my breakfast things, that probably would be none of the best. We see a great many sail about us, and this morning we discovered the smoke of a steamer some miles to windward of us, out at sea - We were quite surprised to see smoke arising from the hills today, and do not know whether to attribute it to volcanic causes or burning wood -

I forgot to say that in the balance of the morning, came on deck also, be came laudanum, instead

with a desire to inspect the Stranger and as we approached the Ship on our return, they were preparing to start — a dense fog was just then coming up. and they had not left the Ship 5 minutes, before they were out of sight completely, some of them became alarmed and came about but it was sometime before they could recover us, in the meantime it began to blow up and now it bids fair to come in Earnest, were before night if it does not die away — 10 Clock P.M. we are just passing Cape Frio, which is the last high land on the outside, and is the one spoken of yesterday, its appearance is most grand and imposing — with its lofty top embowered in the Clouds, which constantly attend it. it is a most lovely day and all aboard in good Spirits in anticipation of entering the Harbor before night. We got up a Memorial this morning signed by all the Passengers to be presented to Mr Todd our minister at Rio, to enable us if possible to land there, for as our ship goes in only for water, and does not pay port charges. at this moment there is a fine four rigged ship bearing right down for us with royals and every thing set and half a dozen Macaw craft around us in different directions Enjoyed a good dinner today of Pork & beans and coming on deck found that the ship spoken of Alone was close aboard of us and which made her still more interesting was the fact of her being bound for California with a goodly number of passengers on board. She was a beautifully rigged Boat built ship and we discovered her name on her Stern & the Architect from New Orleans. An unfortunate occurrence happened about this time. after we had dined quite a number went into the forep deck and near the Stern to watch the Sharks which were bearing

is pretty enough.

Tuesday 6th. Came on deck about ½ past 6. Quite calm & clear. Looking on the lee we discovered a pelican, about 1 mile distant and hoping to get fish or fruit from her, we got down 1 boat. (that is a few of us who were up, for we wished to surprise the rest) and Phil Nalden and some half dozen more pulled for her. A short time brought us alongside, and discovered to us a hard looking craft enough. they did appear particularly friendly, so we contented ourselves with running around them, we found that they had no fish or any kind of fruit and as hard a ragged set of fellows as ever we got together. The vessel looked quite pretty at a distance but soon changed by a closer inspection, She was a curious looking old craft, sharp at both ends, with a bow sticking up at the stern which made it a matter difficult at first sight to say which was bow or stern. She was like ourselves bound for Rio, with a load of fruit. One thing I noticed particularly was the Cabin, it had a stove flue upon its middle of which was built a fire, and upon it some fried, what looked some like a horse leg with most all the flesh eaten off. regular carrion-eaters. I left quite in a good humor with the appearance of my boat-fast things, that perhaps would be some of the best. We see a great many sail about us. and this morning we discovered the smoke of a steamer some miles to windward of us, out at sea — We were quite surprised to see smoke arising from any of the hills today and do not know whether to attribute it to volcanic causes or burning wood —

I forgot to say that in the balance of the morning, when on deck also, we were considerably surprised

with a desire to inspect the Stranger and as we approached the Ship on our return, they were preparing to start — a dense fog was just then coming up, and they had not left the Ship 5 minutes, before they were out of sight completely, some of them became alarmed and came about but it was some time before they could recover us, in the meantime it began to blow and now it bids fair to come in Earnest, we were before night if it does not die away — 10 o'clock P.M. we are just passing Cape Frio, which is the last high land on the outside, and is the one of which I spoke the appearance is most grand and imposing — with its lofty top embowered in the Clouds, which constantly attend it. It is a most lovely day and all aboard in good spirits in anticipation of entering the Harbor before night. We got up a Memorial this morning signed by all the passengers to be presented to Mr Todd our minister at Rio, to enable us if possible to land them, for as our ship goes in only for water, and does not pass past Rio. At this moment there is a fine four rigged ship bearing right down for us with royals and everything set and half a dozen Native craft around us in different directions Engaged in getting down Rolls of Bark & Beans and coming on deck found that the ship spoken of above was close alongside of us and which made her still more interesting was the fact of her being bound for California with a goodly number of passengers on board. She was a beautifully rigged Boat built ship and we discovered her name on her Stern to be the Architect from New Orleans. An unfortunate occurrence happened about this time. After we had dined quite a number went into the forop deck and near the Stern to watch the Stranger which was bearing

towards us fast to windward. When the Capt orders had in the meantime gone down to his retired in the cabin on deck. Considering himself disturbed by the noise of our talking and commenced a most abusive harangue to us. and actually threatened to bring the Sailors out to force us to silence concerning his situation as far as his comfort was concerned, to the infernal regions, he then went down again. He had not been gone 5 minutes before a big sea got under our stern and stove American Colors. and hauled us round, but whoever the Capt saw his approaching, he took no notice whatever of him. As she was passing by. some one sang out hurrah, which brought the Capt out more savage than ever. this time he was perfectly robed. As no one owned say of course who the offender was. he was obliged to finish his dinner without accomplishing his object.

All this time the Ship was nearing us and I had in the mean time gone aloft. to have a fairer view of him. when she with a great deal of roughness, ran along our stern and so to leeward of us. being the fastest sailer. and the Capt hailed us with Ship Ahoy

The Capt at first did not deign a reply but after it was repeated. he sung out, with a great deal of thanfing. why don't you keep off?

To which the other Capt made some reply, and then sung out ship ahoy! and, sang on,

After having in entirely known the Dangerous ship is the Capt of the Pacific. as he designated us, name as the quarter. for some time we were, till some one found Dangerous Capt. Tilton

That incensed the Capt to the nine, but as in the other case he could not discover the offender. There was one general feeling of indignation among all

in possession the officers of the Ship. I think my Boatswain thought it would not answer for them to express their idea freely. It was in all probability considered an aggravated insult but Capt Grey of the Architect who was given it to Tibbetts, at Rio. Even since making Cape Frio this Place has presented the same bold characteristics — Cliff rising upon Cliff, with the picturesque range of the Beacons. Some of these Cliffs take all sorts of curious shapes. The Sugar Loaf has been seen for the first today looming up in the "blue distance". A lovely moonlight night —

Wednesday 8th. Very light winds, as we desire wish to go, in last night. we laid to all night and this morning finds us in about the same position. I arose at ½ past 6 and took up my position on the top gallant yard which is my favorite place of lookout, where I can see plainly the islands of Rio Harbor. An immense Shark was playing around the Ship, and 3 or 4 fishermen with their lines on the Stern were both well employed pulling in dolphins - which have been very plenty for a few days past. it is a beautiful sight to see them bite and then play, when the dolphins which you can see to perfection from aloft, then scanning the horizon with the eye I discover no less than 8 sails, of every description, most of which were large. After breakfast it breezed up a little more, and then commenced quite an exciting race, between the whole fleet all being bound in — We keep on our way beating most but beaten by only one — I am perfectly delighted with Rio harbor, and intend giving a description of it if possible. We passed the clipper Barque Peruvia of Baltimore bound Rio but could not get no Letters on board, also the Brig

Dear Emily. I am quite ashamed to relate an incident that happened this afternoon that produced an immense excitement and a great deal of indignation. As we were going up before the wind, which though fair was very light, we met the Brig — of — a Prussian Craft which was beating out of the harbor. We should have luffed and gone astern of her, but we kept straight on, and the consequence was that as she came down on her starboard tack, she came within an ace of striking our quarterdeck and causing a fearful collision, as it was her flying jibboom struck our spanker, at the peak of which the Captain and Crew were flying in amazement to the legend of the Fort, and slipping off, did no damage but carried ~~off one boom~~ three of the boom. At this moment, Lo-ac of most active jumping forward and exceedingly all their strength to disengage them. But it was impossible as the two got entangled, so they bore them away and kept on. We threw in retaliation a number of missiles at them. I never saw a man so angry in my life as the Capt of the Brig was. His oaths and his exclamations of both English and Prussian were truly awful. After getting off some distance he fired a cannon at us, to make the matter sure, there were some half dozen people in our immediate vicinity who witnessed the whole of it.

It was so fixed by some to mean the boats had run against the flag which would have been quite unpardonable, if we had not been running away from it. Now came the beauties of the harbor opening in full view as we turned the point opposite the Sugar Loaf. The approach in open

and easy of access. On the left you have at the immediate entrance Raza Island with the light house and out buildings upon it, an island about a mile in length, and an excellent situation for the purpose. then comes an interval of about half a mile of water. Next comes an island called the Hayeck. from its resemblance - which is a lofty peak, crowned at the top with trees and shrubs. then another interval of water of some 2 miles extent. then an irregular cluster of rocks of all sizes, which extend to within a short distance of the shore. - which is bold and grand, in the extreme - the peaks rise one upon another till their tops generally are lost in the clouds and in a number of cases you see the tops with the clouds floating below them. I cannot attempt to describe to you its appearance to you - We lay tompleat at anchor the wind having failed us. just opposite the Pagan Coast whose lofty & rugged mountains are crowned in the beholder, a cove set in next to this remarkable cliff and within this the first fort is situated, in a kind of amphitheatre. Another cliff opposite this battles up the bird. and in a short time you have another cove with its fortification - half a mile from the shore there is another fort on a ledge of rocks. Beyond this, you see beautiful rural residences on the high land, and sides of the mountains, embowered in trees, and extensive cattle grazing, which after a long voyage, struck me very pleasantly. Beyond this you have quite a stretch of low land along the water edge which is completely occupied with the barracks of the Military, being as they appear through the glass - of large size and fine appearance. - being 3 stories in height and painted white, On the distance

you see the Emperor's Palace which as far as we can see from the distance is a magnificent pile. You can also catch a faint glimpse of the City. The Bay is filled with craft of all sizes from a man of war down to a miserable little felucca, with her crew of Portuguese and negros. Now for the right hand side. The first thing that strikes you on turning the point is a tremendous Bluff of great height, the sides of which are almost perpendicular and as smooth as can be right down to the waters edge. There some half dozen pretty islands around, with trees, in the fore ground, and backed as usual by the mirrounded range of Cornical shaped cliffs which bind the whole Coast of South America. Opposite the Sugar Loaf is the principal fortification which looks quite imponente. And is quite an extensive affair. Called the Santa Cruz Fort. As we came up to it we were hailed in the usual manner from it and requested to send off a boat to it, as the distance was too great to be heard, with accuracy. On second hail we sweet finally with and returned saying we might go on but that was impossible as the wind faded entirely. Back of the fort the cliff rises up to the height of some 2000 feet and about 1000 feet wide. This has been excavated in the rock and there were also pitched up selves strongly. This is connected with the Santa Cruz fort by a covered foot path.

This is as far as we have gone. The wind was so light as we have anchored in the bay, the ship careens so that she threatens sometimes to roll her masts out. We have also

sorts of tumbling out of bed. 1st Raining at injur
Thursday. 9th All hands employed this morning
to go ashore, got up the Anchor at 8 o'clock
to take the tide up but the wind is so light
that we cannot beat up. It also is raining
quite hard which keeps to continued all day.
It is a little singular that the whole voyage we
have not had one single rainy day, and just
as we got to town it commences. We got
our boats out to help tow the ship, but it was
no go, so we had no resource but to let go
the anchor. In the course of the morning
an old friend the Princess came up and
being left by the tide, anchored close to
us. This is the one we passed off to day
before yesterday. The Bones of a Whaler who
lay just ahead of us. The Superior of Sag Harbor
put off to the fort to obtain permission
to come on board us, which they did accordingly
They stated that their Capt was sick, and
enquire for a doctor, Doctor Stettinius of
our Company went on board with them and
bended to shore. The Sailors stated that
the Ship South Carolina which left 2 days
after us was in the upper bay and also
the fast sailing Ship Tuscarora which left
10 days before. They also stated that the
passengers of this Ship had all been ashore which
put us in excellent spirits. They had been out
19 months and were just going home free of
oil, I accordingly with a number of my
friends put all my letters on board of the
vessel I hope will be received in good time.
The coast of Africa here is covered with decaying
fruit of every description, giving us plenty
of fruit in for inspection, Immense schools of

of porpoises and flocks of birds of large size and beautiful plumage are seen in every direction. The view to day has materially changed the outward appearance of my fellow passengers since this morning. they came out after breakfast like so many butterflies, with white hats, fancy coats and boots, but by dinner time, they had changed every thing to its old state. — We have only made 3 miles progress today, but I hope shortly to shape our course up to the City Timmor. They are very strict here in their regulations, of Custom house &c. The boarding officer has not come on board yet, but will be soon as we get up a little further. The country about is covered with a beautiful green which is perpetual. There are appearances at present of clearing off which I hope will be some time.

Friday 11th. Turned out quite early, the view has changed materially for the better, this morning. everything which was undistinct yesterday through the fog and gloom, are perfectly plain in the morning sun shining upon them.

The first thing the Mate left me this morning as expected carrying all my letters, 2 home, 1 to Rev Mr Mitchell. 6 P.M. The boarding officer and health officer came on board [illegible] of dirty, in boats more like [illegible] than anything else [illegible] the mate and [illegible] were both of some consequence [illegible] The officers were both fine looking Portuguese dressed in blue uniform of Brazil and were introduced to the ladies and appeared to be perfect gentlemen. They had no sooner left [illegible] than we were surrounded by any quantity

of our boats, offering fruit of our stores for sale
which they are prohibited from doing before the visit of
the health officer, who gave us permission to land
without hesitation. At this moment, we were also
boarded by two men of war boats of the Perry and
Lawrence, commanded by Midshipmen Berlin and Bom-
bret, fine gentlemanly fellows, who gave us a great deal
of information about the City and its regulations, they
said the people were terribly alarmed at the great
influx of Yankees and that the Congress had
ordered a double guard to be placed for the preservation
of order. All hands now began to think of going
ashore, and I learned for the first time that the City of the
Palm was in fact having experienced very heavy, rather
for repairs and could probably be detained some
time. There was no less than 37 sail of square
rigged vessels coming into the harbor as I sprang into
a small boat with two others, most of which
were crowded pushing in for water, bound for California.
At every moment something strange and startling
was visible, curious looking craft most of them had entered or leaving
of the wide Cove. Canoes continually passing and
the bay was crowded with them, some of them like
canoes made out of the log, paddled along Indian
fashion with only one Nigger, then again with the
long native sail skimming along swiftly, painted
in the most gaudy and grotesque manner. At last
I saw a sail of about 5 miles was passing
5 miles first, the City was thronged in close
view and now shone I discovered on the steps of
the landing to welcome me, Mr. Thomas Bullmaster
who I was really rejoiced to see, my first visit was
however in no any thing but for sale.
Nothing was to be seen just around but cords of
Squashes and wine sugar cakes, some sorts of
fruit, confectionary and everything you can
imagine

We with Mapes & Proffer & Lieut. was staying at the house of Thomas which is considered the first in the city and as they had a suite of rooms consisting of sitting parlor and 2 bedrooms, they had plenty of space for me and upon their invitation I accordingly took up my quarters there. It is pitch at the boat landing and some bustle and life can be seen there than any where else. Americans are constantly coming from upset that came up that day and among them I discovered a great many familiar faces. After dinner a comfortable supper and good cup of chocolate which they made in honor to him. We put on our hats for a stroll about the city. The Campanero, Tom Parker is the first thing there at the view after leaving our hotel. It occupies one square and fronts on the line being about 50 yards back from it with a large plaza in front which is paved. It has no particular pretension to beauty of architecture, but looks like a very good comfortable house, the situation is good by any means. The exterior is in about the time and country is stuccoed over rough stone and in some parts shows evidence of decay. Every thing now is calculated to excite the liveliest astonishment to the bewildered from the States.

The houses are now the most original and fashion appearance, the walls being very thick and very substantial, every house has its balconies and blinds through which the Senoritas delight to peep upon the beaux and especially upon our Gents, who find opposite from every window.

The houses are also all built from the height of the tunnel, with the most charming things of little patios in front of which projecting and some four or five on the front. The streets are as a general thing

my rounds and visiting parts with winding stairs, while from my distinction to the summits which are constantly flying about the city. Well to my guide, we passed through a number of these Road widens &c. all of which are filled with shops, displaying beautiful goods of all kinds and in the greatest confusion, for instance, one house will be seen containing piece of an extensive merchant, the next a shoemaker, or hatmaker or tailor or some other trade or perhaps a dancing house. Every moment you pass slaves of both sexes carrying immense weights on their heads, bearing in their native African dialect, while in the most confused jabber is heard. This practice is observed by all of them, and weights of all descriptions whether it be a bag of coffee, a keg of water down to the smallest object is carried in this way. They are as a general thing very poorly dressed and always barefooted, it being against the law for them to wear shoes. Now again the native soldiery, you will see at every moment, and their number is truly astonishing. Their uniform is very becoming indeed, but the men themselves in common with the people generally is very insignificant. They are composed lots of native Brazilians and free negroes, which last, are just as much thought of as Christians and hold office in the same manner. They are small but almost attractive, though you see occasionally persons among the wealthy, which are small but well in shape and spirit. They also have a great number of very beautiful private equipages with highly finished trappings, and the liveries of the servants are very splendid, and as to stations of office, passing through a number of these streets we came at last to one of the Public Gardens, the gates of which were guarded in the usual

issues its paper money 2½ milreis. — The currency is confusing in the extreme, and their ideas ridiculous for instance, 5½ pice. 2 dumps. 5 pice 3 dumps 12½ — 5 dumps, 10 L 5 dumps 1c, The Brazilian are frightened at the appearance of so many Americans, and are much more decient with them, with the natives, in fact they are not dur-
ment them at all, The habits among the foreigners here is to retire very late and get up late on, 10½ a m, then a turn around the market, eat bananas, oranges 1c, then to hotel for Breakfast about 11 — And then smoke, The principle market is quite near us and I have gone there every morning since I have been here and never dis-
Over see their hundreds of stars of bits sizes, set in by their masters selling all descriptions of fruit and vegetable, Cooning of different kinds, monkeys, apes, 1c, parrots 1c, It is very [illegible] and embraces an square and presents quite a pretty appearance from [illegible]

Sabbath day, 10th, Turned out at 10 next this morning to not whole row on a je of musquitoes, Eat a hearty meal at hotel after dressing, Sunday, first we market, Drove down of the Palace Square, fronting the Palace [illegible] is a large [illegible] building in a state of decay. The front of which is lined with the aged and diseased slaves, who being no further use to their masters are turned out to die gradually in this, I never saw a more miserable [illegible] than this, Among, and being features of novelty was the Rattles with which these fellows in their circumstances seemed to [illegible], [illegible] Square, is a place of great resort to all visiting this City and we accordingly made our arrangements after breakfast — What amuse to our Cars or Hacks or Gigs, made in the [illegible] [illegible] The same of this

streets, with very high houses and very narrow, so that it is capable of holding two carts. They are drawn by two little mules, very fine horses, a great many of the carriages are drawn in the fashion of Lisbon. The man is just a little above, sitting sideways on the left, this one is made by the driver who is always an intelligent slave and who are always dressed in livery. Top boots, white pantaloons, black glazed hat, red facings to his coat with very quaint gold lace. He guides one with his reins and the other with a short bridle - occasionally beating the sides with an immense whip which is short but as thick as 2 inches in diameter. The gentleman is a saint out of town and in livery for 2 dollars a piece which is very reasonable for them.

They drive very fast across the city, running right on the side walk as well as street, turning corners sharp, at the imminent risk of running down the Americans, who are not used to such things. They have driving very well indeed and can check the mule in an instant, as they did once twice when a collision seems almost inevitable. We saw some Turkish ladies in the City which presented nothing particularly new to our eyes, for they dress as a general thing best of any and are remarkable for the singularity of their style of dress, for I have not seen a bloomer in the City nor do I see any thereto, it exists here, but as we drew near and entered the Suburbs, a different scene presented itself, every moment you pass magnificent parades villas of the merchants, &c. is luxuriant & beautiful. Built in the most splendid style the entrance to the street leads, surrounded by the most beautiful gardens. I saw some of Canal

Cocoa, every variety of tropical fruits growing around them. Stalks of bananas, black grapes, &c. We passed on our a most natural road, sometimes sinking to the knees in mud, and enjoying a charming beautiful prospects, both on the bay and on the mountains. The Garden is situated at the foot of the highest mountain, almost how circle is on 3000 feet high and called Cocorado, which we intend mounting on Monday, mule back. At the entrance, where scattered some dozen palms of all ages, sizes, &c. Taking an intelligent looking one as guide, we dismissed the Calabash to a neighboring hotel and commenced our walk through the Spanish domain. Our guide of course could speak no English. For in all, my travels I have found out, I succeeded, after all, but by the aid of pain and the little knowledge I possess of Latin. he could make himself pretty near understood. I was very much pleased and astonished. On every side growing the most luscious tropical fruits in great masses, of which are peculiar to the country, and which, we understand never or bear fruit the north. Here was Cocoa Nut, Banyan, Sago, Tamarind in great profusion, Cinnamon, Cloves, Cinnamon, Cinnamon Grass, aloes, pineapple, orange, figs, bananas, &c. &c. a singular kind of banana or plantain grows in clusters, and which resembles the most beautiful specimens of wax workmanship. Camphor tree, palm, bamboo, growing in clusters to an immense height, &c. &c. [illegible] blooming flowers of every hue, &c. &c. Mangoes, aloe, and a number of other plants I cannot think of. The air also laden with the most delicious perfumes, [illegible] the blossoms, [illegible] for [illegible] purposes, they would [illegible] attogether the

more delightful spot of the kind I ever enjoyed or
can hope again to enjoy. The walks are arranged
very tastefully, and kept in good order, as slaves seldom
are at work all the time. Flat, near the spring
is a Mangoe which gives a lovely shade, are scattered
about, and they have a lovely stream of water
right from the mountain, which runs entirely
around the garden, and which is tastefully
arranged into fountains, pools, waterfalls, &c &c.
Our guide was very liberal and every thing we
wanted in the shape of specimens he sent
persons for us. I brought home a basket of
bagasse and some fine fruit which I distributed and
did present to the ladies on board ship. We
remained there 2 or 3 hours, and when turned homewards
there had been strong indications of a storm all day
we had not proceeded far before it began to blow
and afterwards came down in perfect torrents. Our
driver being a Frenchman had a good coaching. Being
wet to the skin in a very few minutes but we
made ourselves quite comfortable by closing up our fine
vehicle, &c, & soon cleared off homewards and the Sun came
out hotter than ever which caused a very great change in
the Country. We considered ourselves quite repaid by the
pleasant smile & bow of our pretty Servitor, who by
the general behaviour of the Americans —

What strikes the stranger in this country, is the immense
number of slaves there being about 2/3 of the whole population.
Every house has its numbers employed in
every trade and occupation. The public functionaries of the
City are very numerous, indeed you meet them at
almost every square. They are constantly recognized by
you as the Hon. & all sorts and stations are addressed
as such, & thus monopolize by assuming it, most of the
City employment and advancement. They carry it, in
every thing else, as high as about the size of a half

bound on their heads and things, it will be fitted to the loss they are so accustomed to it that they will not lose a drop. I noticed that their heads are as a general thing bare of hair or wind upon the top in spite of this constant practice. Another great nuisance that we have here is an addition to the scorpions, centipedes, mosquitoes &c is the dames of vagrant dogs, who infest the whole city. They are of the most miserable appearance and at night, in the dark, go fighting, howling, with their barking & howling. For they are fighting continually. It is a wonder to me that they are not exterminated. Everything is peculiar here. The men have a most original, easy, careless, yet graceful manner. The women are made like ours, rather more and have horses about 3 times the size of ours. The fowls also have very little plumage and very big legs. The Cathedrals and churches are magnificent beyond all expression, everything connected with them is on the most gorgeous style. They have in the niches many figures of the Saints and Virgin, Christ &c all of which are worshipped by the devotees. But this religion is a heathenish of the most glaring character. I have attended 2 or 3 ceremonies of high mass, and a great deal of bowing & burning incense, the priests in the officiating, but could see little through the mummery, and are some half hour etc, except in the Bull ring, which is the height of degradation and cruelty. The Jesuits have a monastery which is open everything but as grand as they might.

The Company's hospital is a good and imposing building. There is an church near the Palace which has been building for the last 65 years and is not even finished. Has the same been erected in Cincinnati 18 months ago the greatest wonders have been thought a fair time. But this is the Foreigner

Rivadavia. It takes years to build a house in this nation of Great Shipping and independent, comes with titles making them as free port as can be — You may see a merchant house in the City. Fires are almost entirely unknown. Speaking of the Palace. I must say that the building I described is not the Emperors residence, but only a place of transacting his business when in town. He has another 3 miles from the city where he stays when in town, but this is quite the most beautiful one is on the Mount Cocavado, 8 miles from town, and is represented to be a most lovely spot. By a number of our passengers, who were fortunate enough to be there as the Emperor was entertaining an animal, he treating them with much kindness and hospitality showing them around the Grounds &c.

I took an excellent dinner after resting awhile and then Chaney and myself started out to see the sights, lighting a segar &c. We sauntered down the Rua d'Ouvidor which is the Broadway of the City, the streets are crowded with male females and blacks.

We went into a Cafe and partook of an excellent ice cream. The Salon was fitted up in very handsome style, very similar to our establishments in New York and our saloons about the City. It was filled with well dressed and gentlemanly Natives. The billiard rooms are also filled in the evening and seem to be the chief amusement of the Brazilians, filling my third and my first being very sore with my recent exercise we did not go any farther, but return to our hotel where a good many of my friends were congregated. I was introduced to Capt Hogan of the Cutter Eagle, he is a gentleman in every sense of the word, at 10 went to our rooms and tried hard to sleep, but with the mosquitoes

dogs and mules and the slaves found it impossible. So Charly and I lit our cigars and spent the night smoking till 5 A.M. when through mere exhaustion we managed to sleep till 10. I forgot to say that in the afternoon I took Charly on board the Pacific and introduced him to the Ladies. [illegible] the appearance for the Journey which was really beautiful, and which they gave Charly. There was a fandango to night to which a number of our fellows went. I was so tired I declined and was glad of it afterwards as it was a miserable humbug to make money, which they endeavor in every way to do. Sunday 11th. Very different from our quiet Sunday at home. Noise, bustle & confusion of every kind prevailed. The day is not observed in the religious point of view. The Sl. passengers [illegible] the City as all spend the Sabbath. and though the Vineyards are [illegible] for fear [illegible] the same kind every day in the week. The Bullfrogs and Mules are going [illegible] in the afternoons. being then [illegible] by the bells. Night [illegible] in very moonlight among these [illegible] scenes. In the afternoon a bull fight came off in which 5 Bullocks were slaughtered [illegible] go as I felt [illegible] of the [illegible] day. We dine the Consul Family at our house and they go to the Theatre tonight and tomorrow for the last time. The Company came in town to see them perform today. We drove [illegible] Sunday, generally winding up in [illegible] beach with a drop of Cognac, almost [illegible] but in this case I order in a fine Cognac with

& blind horses. and his suite in 3 carriages behind him and a troop of horse following. Being in want of clean clothes I again boarded our ship and returned again after dark. In passing up and down the harbor you have to pass the finest fleet and set Bunkerfoin. The American refugees arrived from the States bound for California and on my return I found the minister set magistrates raising the old Hare. So that I was really ashamed of them. The Greeks are afraid of them for in 3 instances under my observation they have rescued prisoners who have been arrested for disorderly conduct by them. Last night there was 2 serenades one just in front of the Palace. I spent part of a secret sort of evening, and adjourned to get up a flirtation with a young lady on the next balcony. but though she looks smile sweetly yet not understanding the language I can't not make myself understood, I was also annoyed by mosquitoes but managed to sleep the night.

Fri. 12th Loaded Shell, and his off is I turned out. The sun nothing hot enough. I took a cup of coffee and rest of my accustomed fare. and, finding a couple of hours spent on him on no compensation, for the morning are too hot to stir much. (the sea breeze does not come in till afternoon). Phil Walden & 20 others came in and shortly afternoon left in the Bus for the Botanical Gardens. I and Charly intended to have gone back to Mount Recreation but the heat was so intense we defered it till tomorrow. On my return, since they have got the Gun-boat here I have kept in the strongest terms [illegible] is

with truth of the above place, his treatment of us, for so I endeavored to remonstrate them but it is no use. they are going to have a meeting and get the intervention of the American Consul in the matter. I have every reason to threaten him with violence. I was introduced to the Curé of the Cathedral and explained to him in the best way I could the unfortunate affair with that ship. The Capt might have saved himself all this trouble if he had controlled his temper. For it is his language more than the pomp of fare that induces the passengers to leave the ship this morning for the first time.

I passed in the street a lady of fortune carried along in her sedan chair, by 4 slaves.

I met George Tebbetts at [illegible] surprised to see him. He was waiting for a steamboat which is due today. A steamboat plies between here and [illegible] for 3 dollars each way which is certainly the cheapest conveyance I have met. It was fitted to accommodate [illegible] 5 days time [illegible] Boston to New York. It rolled alone, bringing two passengers and I was much pleased with its appearance. Its form is unexceptionable. Its [illegible] in Jamaica Harbor. Yet there is a very pleasant walk or ride of two miles leading this way, shaded by mango trees, and the other bounded by pretty villas and an almost every window. You will see an occasional pensilas, some pretty but generally ordinary looking, brick and stone compositions.

The houses are fronted with a great deal of style, [illegible] and a great deal of taste

of this place. [illegible] We met there 15 or 20 young men who came out by the Same Mission, and joined their party, & we adjourned in the evening to see "los Americanos" as we would saunter up the street, staring at every thing. Images are going now in great processions and vehicles of mimmed sign, we see in every direction some new display, some forming the procession and then again the road, to display pious zeal — Nature has done every thing for this country, but the indolent habits of the inhabitants have put themselves 100 years behind the age. Goose see it in every thing from [illegible] adjacent to the most important, for instance there is no tree thing as a [illegible] or garden in the City for fun. In the evening I went to the Theatre, to see the last performance of the Rare playing. The Emp. or Emperor had to write a [illegible] of the writing new thing as a prima to the chief object of interest, the Emperor has his box [illegible] in front of the stage extending across the [illegible] the [illegible] in special sight and in the rear a private parlor wither he retires at the close of each act. He is a fine looking man, tall and well made, with very light complexion for a Brazilian. And is 25 years of age. Each time taking his seat he bows low my condescending his right. When is the daughter of the King. She is [illegible] years of age, [illegible] small [illegible] figure. The [illegible] dressed in black on age of the death of her mother, [illegible] 2 years ago. Very infirm girl. The ladies of rank were dressed [illegible] with the great splendor and [illegible] their gaudy finery. The theatre which is not [illegible] large, but most gorgeously [illegible] to [illegible] a great many Americans being there, and [illegible]

hot so much so that after this 1st plan of the
Russes I left, and returned to my home,
I find it almost impossible to keep from at-
-tempting, as the temptation becomes almost
to death, - but at the same time I manage
to hold on till
Tuesday. David Brown left Simms of the Eang
and two other lads myself, made up the
party, this morning to accend Mount Cro-
-ss. It was a most beautiful day but very hot
and the sun shone out with great fairness
b[illegible] to be [illegible] and accen-
-ding at 7 PM [illegible] we were
continuing - ways - and riding through the city and
suburbs all about, caused some little stir.
[illegible] to the [illegible]
[illegible] so, as they [illegible] naturally -
The Mount is some 7 miles from Morton and
as [illegible] quite fast that we were [illegible]
and we commence ascending by a zig zag
road the almost perpendicular side of
it, the road, at the base is lined with
occasional few willows - cattle here and there and
rivulets of pure running water intersecting the
road at short intervals, making a most perfect
picture and just [illegible] of pausing to drink
its crystal, the traveller as he ascends higher and
higher. The air was sharp so at [illegible]
for the first few miles quite good but it
gradually became more bitter and icy, so that
on [illegible] to dismount and it was with
a good deal of difficulty we could [illegible]
times after us, so that [illegible]. You can
form some idea of the beauty of the prospect of
Augusta on this mountain. Yellow has been
[illegible] in her foliage, [illegible] green in

the most luxuriant and rich scenery. You see at every turn wild plums & a hundred things of them very beautiful and what surprised me as a general thing, fragrant. Every description of Virginia trees also and not an inch of ground appears to be unoccupied. I saw the coffee tree for the first time on these mountains. It is a very pretty tree growing about 10 or 15 feet high and [illegible] very much like a chinq and is not unpleasant to the taste. Inside of this you have 2 grains of coffee. When the fruit is ripe these berries are dried and the coffee separated. We could not but exclaim in admiration at every turn of the road. It was enough to repay us, even, richly for our trouble in thus we arrived at the end of our journey. It was the most magnificent panorama that the mind can possibly conceive. Pri seemed like a new Hamilt. though the houses are quite distinct, the shipping in the harbor, Newport News and even the harbor itself seem higher & smaller than any thing else. The people [illegible] very kind & friendly. I never enjoyed anything so much in my life. But we were obliged to leave ourselves at the foot of the mountain. Have the misfortune in getting to the bottom without anything but comfortable as it is we arrived safely at our destination safely by daylight. We took another route home and if the road, it beat anything and to crown scenes on our view of the Potomac, we passed the perpendicular cliff on which the house seemed to be so likely indeed to go, if this descent boldly and darted which they did even time and. We got down safely on the

away to the City for disposal of which we
always sadly in need. The water from this peak
is excellent and is conducted to the City by an
aqueduct which was constructed some centuries ago and
which still is an excellent state of
preservation. The inhabitants are divided into
highest degree and they have a number of
reservoirs at intervals to the City. The people
generally live very much poetically —
and I appreciate it but I am sorry to
say that a great many of the Americans have
disgraced the name outrageously by getting
drunk at the hotels & at the Pueblo among themselves
and the natives, and in interfering with
the police in their duty. We generally have
to case the guard at our hotel each night
for some disturbance or other. We have gone
so far in this business of policing that the
Commandant now informs that we should not
in future be molested even in quarrels
among ourselves as long as it does not interfere
with the discharge of the official duties.
But tell a gentlemanly American and
if he has a few grains among the little cay.
they will think they cannot do too much for him.
I spent a few hours in the Evening with
my Pacific friends at the Hotel Universo in
Portland Square, and found them all amused
[illegible] the [illegible] pensioner —
I found that the news [illegible] all regards, that Mr Griffin was seated
with them as well as the Consul & Minister
the officers of the Navy are invaluable
as the most to our flag by the Prussian Brig
and to assist the Cook Islands. Capt Grey
of the Architect, whose vessel we refused to

speak is, evidently vengeance against the Capt —
Mrs Griffin has a quarrel with Tibbett and is
going on shortly but will return with the In-
family, with whom she is staying at present,
The Council says that the Capt must
be removed from the Ship and I really pity
him from the bottom of my heart. We held a
meeting and appointed Mr M. I. Morgan
and Brighand to wait upon the Capt and
a fine time. Here he must adopt one of the
2 alternatives either to resign or be forcibly ejected, they have remained
for that purpose. I from my general
of gentlemanly faces and clear-heads, I
am really grateful to find Capt. B.
that so I do and strongly hope I should
have been another find. as he turns the
Office so well — I also find Mr Lawrence
very a fellow-clerk, he returned out of the
Architect, the head of cases of piracy
which were all future in here, he was
well out from New Orleans. Vessels are
arriving here every day from the States, the
pilot boat Dashaff made a very quick run
38 days. The Office gets busy in this
action in remarkably just Lawrence fellow,
Capt Fraser of the Lawrence, Bartlett of the
Ship and a number of others — The Company
and Smith went to the Theatre again this
evening and I went around to see them
off. I and some half dozen from offices
went into the Palace, the entrance to
which is lined when the Company is admit
with the body guard drawn in most
[illegible] manner, and the people, I was
so amused at them as they were a Jewel —

The King of Siam was all dressed up to receive some time before he made his appearance. Drawn by six and eight horses and mules, with the Band of music playing in very excellent style. After waiting a short time. He made his appearance with his Empress by his side. I was within a couple of feet of him as he passed and we all took our hats off of course which he acknowledged by a bow as well as she. Then came the wives of Siam all in full dress, and away they started as fast as their nags could go. They always drive very fast, Tomorrow is the Empress birthday and a court day as the Emperor lives as a Recluse. I am up in a splendid lodging. I returned home to my hotel, ate a Breakfast and then rested till 4 P.M. Got to bed at 8 P.M.

Wednesday. Turned out at 12 o'clock and got my breakfast. We soon see that something unusual was going forward. The military were always drilling, and preparations were making for the Emperor's appearance and marching battalions were formed. As the Emperor was not to parade his appearance from the Centre till 2 o'clock I started into a Cathedral with the Rev. Pierce viewing the mortal remains of a deceased Nobleman. Being curious to see many Burmese. And if Bamboo cost nothing, and serve him anything in its worth off. But I am a fool in all religions of the world and nothing [illegible] be found [illegible] the

most splendid manner, and responding with loud chants to voices, read by the Bishops = his head was shaven clean on top and cut off all around, hanging down on every side the same length. They are carried long tallow tapers about by feet long the grease of which they were not particularly careful of, and altogether every thing was on a magnificent scale yet I turned away perfectly disgusted with the whole, and could hardly help but contrast one our solemn and quiet service with it. It reminded me as much as a great many other things that I see here of those I have read of in Novels, scenes happening centuries gone by — I then went to the House of Commons which faces upon the Palace Yard and which gives a most excellent view of everything and waits for the Coming of royalty. After a while came a number of most elegant carriages surrounded by footmen of Royalty, the panels on horseback, drawn by servants dressed elegantly which I, was at first for the Emperors, but it turned out that they were Members of his Court. But after an interval of 10 minutes or so, came the Royal Carriage, which was splendid beyond all idea, it was a complete piece of workmanship gilding everywhere gold and silver, drawn by 8 superb horses with gold trappings with postillions on each, regiments of horse, the Imperial Guard. This the third Carriage was only used on occasions of this nature, there came Lord Aberdeen dressed in white satin, full bodied with jewels, then the Ministers of the Empire Ambassadors & Ministers &c forming altogether a most magnificent cavalcade or procession. I do not think that there is a country where

Andersen is Nehtuys, so much for this story.
I received congratulations all the Morning, things in a bad degree. I went to the Bank after I had sufficient fun to get a change of clothes for my new head dress, discharging my attire intending to have return within an hour but before I got ashore, every thing was quiet and he had returned to his Palace of Tom. After holding his levee he attended Mass at his Cathedral and I learn from some of our fellows that our present, the Mission, was magnificent.
It had been a bet, made by some of our fellows and the unfortunate loser was that the fortunate one treated the Company to a supper. I was invited and enjoyed an very comfortable Meal after which I went home to bed with premonitions of Thursday.
Turned out as usual at 11½ and at breakfast it was proposed to take another run down to Bangkok to the Gardens and Empress Palace. I did not like the expense at all, so declined but this was in vain for my Friends, so I accepted many arrangements. Oh! I was a fool. I for one part I took the same boat as before which sailed well, and after an hour or so we reached the Botanic Garden, which looked natural to me. And my name upon a mangoe tree which I could cannot get down, got a bogus account to back by another name which I hereafter learned before to see the Empress Tents, Gardens & Palace, it was an unusual running, which I had failed to find fault, but nothing daunted

we pushed on and, now 12 miles from our
beautiful rolling country, back of the City, with
farm houses scattered about, and pretty villas —
for the great majority of the wealthy live out of
town. I enjoyed the ride extremely with the
exception of the rain. for we were completely
drenched to the skin. for hours. and it was only
the exercise that kept us warm. The streets in the
City were fairly running like torrents when we
came in and we left our horses at the Stabler's
and came to our hotel, in most Bilcaire as
well as Cayuga fashion, covered with mud and
streaming with water. I fortunately had a
coat and a dry pair of pants into which I
was glad enough to jump. the rest did the
same thing and, what, but to be and a
more ready set you cannot imagine, we
then had a fine dinner of steak, mushroom
mushrooms, with a variety of luxuries and then
a cigar. then a good sleep came and then
bed in. I find this a very expensive place
for my poor purse, and I have the thought
that it would be much better to stop
returning than going to Culpepper. I have
been here a week tomorrow and have seen
everything, and am quite anxious to get off.
We have found, much difficulty in getting
water and have got nothing though it is
engaged. The Porter will be off in about a
day.

Sunday Raining hard all night which
still continues. I am glad to remain in
doors. Have had my breakfast and
what I ordered, a tasty fruit, which I hope
will pass off soon. After breakfast, writing
thinking about a little exercise to be beneficial

Church, Sims, Le Felix, Marcb, Clark & myself
[illegible] for a horseback ride, for the
pleasures of a cool evening. We accompanied the
Botanical excursionists through the [illegible] again
on again, the beauties of the place. We then
[illegible] for the Emperors Palace & have to
[illegible] from here which is celebrated for its
fine garden. We had not been gone long
before it commenced raining and soon came
down in torrents. Nothing daunted we pushed
on through increasing rain till some
of the party proposed we should stop. We
did so for a short time, but finding no
[illegible] we got [illegible]
homewards. I had the greatest difficulty I ever had
[illegible] the 3 [illegible] the station
and came with mud up about 30 miles.

Refer to Thursday —

Friday Morning — [illegible] which came
down in torrents, ceased finally. I [illegible]
[illegible] as I went
to see our Ships Doctor, feeling quite unwell.
In the Afternoon I went on board ship and for
the first time since I have been ill, remained
all night. I find that I cannot sleep on
shore on account of the insects. I took 2 grains Tabs
[illegible]

Saturday. Slept pretty well and feel better
though not well, 15 or 20 patients from Island
[illegible] to be sent home for my opinion
I went also for a walk through a [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] the Mexico and Mount Hood.

The manufactures here are Knives of pressure and jellies a great amount of which are purchased for [illegible] for sale here, in good [illegible] boxes, and Cannies they cost from 5s to 15s per 100. But this is not the season for the most perfection, though they are very abundant. Bananas are very fine and plentiful and very cheap. I do not like the Kind here so much and are not quite equal to the Brazilian fruits. I went in town again this afternoon, and found this the quantity of the Passengers becoming tired of the accommodations which were altogether, I do not anticipate set off and I must postpone, or for a good deal time be detained as long as I can possibly do so.

Sunday 18th. A most beautiful morning after the two days of rain preceding I arose with the Sun and felt much refreshed, my rheumatism, gratefully. The accommodations for Passengers so limited that we perforce and as the most suitable way of passing the Sabbath, a very sin which to say the least we should be out of Therefore to, resolved to again make the Ascent of Mount Corcovado on foot this time. At a quarter of six we finished after leaving the most [illegible], went off in a boat for the Botanical Garden which is much nearer the base than the [illegible] at the Shore opposite a [illegible] at 1000 rs, as we neared the shore, we put our boat into the surf and got a good ducking, [illegible] it rolling completely over us. We however [illegible] safely to town [illegible] for breakfast. [illegible] we started [illegible] and [illegible] to the foot, as the Sun. I now the Guide of the Party leaving

the only one that had ascended. The ascent was
accompanied by a beautiful, delightfully cool
and [illegible] pleasantness due to the occasion
than the former one. Everything of common
familiarity to me in the ascent of Pisco, the
same delightful breezes blowing upon us, pri-
vacy and every thing. On our route we
met Lieut Brown and Mr Allen of our ship, who
were returning from the peak and stopped for
several hours when they met at the top, with
them for. We hailed in, stopping in time to meet
them, and our wishes were accomplished.
As I said before, our course lay along the
aqueduct, the water of which is furnished by
numerous small streams and springs in
the direction, and we had it to reach the end
of its work and, now about striking off
in precipitous ascent beyond, which
actually, since we, the adventure party,
on foot, spoken of, Emperor, Mr
Gentleman and Lewis and Bryant, they
were [illegible] at the same time and Bryant
joined them at dinner, to which they sat
down, in a hearty, true to the time
with a torrent of good water running close
at our feet. As usually a refreshing
was for the occasion. After a little
[illegible] from delicacy in intimacy
upon them, we sat down also and partook
of the excellent wine. They had a good
variety of the dishes, also strawberry, good
[illegible] and, moreover, and plenty
of excellent, which they had, [illegible]
after and after and [illegible] it
[illegible] Ship at the height, we
[illegible] and joined them at

heart in the feast. We drank in the first place
to California which was the toast. I then
gave. Vive le Emperor on which they all touched
glasses and we all gave 3 cheers. The ladies
[illegible]
[illegible] We [illegible]
the feeling all in much better trim for the
journey [illegible] This band struck up
as we departed and we could hear it as we
ascended higher and higher for some time
after, the sound reverberating among the
hills. We soon after lost our way and got pretty
well used up wandering among the Cane brakes,
but after a while regained the main road
and turned up upon the right track. The
ascent was now difficult in the extreme and
[illegible] caused the perspiration [illegible] to
[illegible] of us. but nothing daunted we kept
on, resting every half mile or so. Nothing [illegible]
[illegible] of the [illegible] we met another party of friends
[illegible] them my friend who had travelled through
(Brazil). who gave us the cheering intelligence that
[illegible] the greatest part of the distance was [illegible]
[illegible] yet not half the fatigue had been imagined.
This was bad enough and I [illegible] my
[illegible] that I had not gone up the way that I
had before taken, but it was too late now and
again this has the [illegible] feature of beauty.
After an hour of the hardest toiling I [illegible]
experienced [illegible] the sight of
the top and a few minutes brought us to
the pinnacle. We were forced to throw our-
selves on the ground from sheer exhaustion
In a few minutes [illegible] and for the
second time the beauties of this magnificent view burst
upon me. The day was much finer, the air being

perfectly clear and we signaled for to our friends
ashore for almost three quarters of an hour
when the disappearance of the land
breeze induced us to retrace our steps which
we did. The shades of night caught us
notwithstanding half way between, but
we got along with no accident. Leaving
the landing for Pharaoh. Found
our ship's boat just pushing off and
got in, & in and was soon on board
pleased, warm and. I took a few mouthfuls
of claret and went to sleeping till 4 stop
the last night morning. The greatest beauty in
our scenic was the absence of all expense, for
the whole afternoon cost us 1 shilling, and
was for Capt Ross to the Show.

Monday 19th. All hands today [illegible] with
the exception of h officers. I visit the Consul
Again in relation to our troubles with the Capt.
I stated that a few days since a [illegible]
[illegible] fear, [illegible] and [illegible]
his department towards us, and in fact bore
upon every thing important, this was to have
been signed by the [illegible] Capt, [illegible]
[illegible] to have been done, a report was circu=
lated that it was intended by the Capt to leave
off, having got his clearance, & evading the
Consul &c, which I believe had no positive
foundation. This set them all by the ears again
and the Consul and Passengers were more bitter
than ever in having him disposed. Mr Griffin visit
his accused double faced [illegible] with the
the passengers & then with the Capt. Between the
Consul & passengers report in the meantime
Again. As the thing stands today, the Consul & Capt

was not the power to defend them and now not so that as I printed a week ago the time has been unpleasantly spent. The other passengers appear to have [illegible] they [illegible] of the Capt Grey of the Architect [illegible] Ship from New Orleans, on [illegible], Commander Capt for Aranklimp, the [illegible] passengers also. Mr. J. Beach's crack [illegible] few days ago [illegible] found [illegible] have to discharge her Cargo and be recaulked and coppered. The passengers complain of the Captain, for his treatment also. I shall be glad to get to sea again, from this scene of turmoil.

All being a very pleasant [illegible] a delightful sea breeze I concluded to remain on board and [illegible] the day to arranging my [illegible] [illegible] my [illegible] the remaining cents and one dollar. We had an excellent dinner and the day passed pleasantly. One of our fellow passengers named Kenny, came near losing his life from his rashness. He was about [illegible] his hat a new Panama which he had just purchased in town was blown overboard. He ran down the rigging and without hesitation jumped [illegible] after it, being [illegible] swimming. The tide was running very [illegible] 7 miles an hour and the water was very rough so that he had a good deal to contend with and he found that it was as much as he could do to keep stationary. At about reaching the ship he was soon discovered and a rope [illegible] to him by his request, which after [illegible] finally [illegible] and [illegible] to be found to have shot [illegible] quite exhausted. We think we saw something to which he

endeavored to cling but found that the [illegible] dashed him off repeatedly, and to make matters worse he was continually losing his hat, which he had to stop to pick up at intervals, and his efforts to hold it on almost drowned him. We found that nothing but a boat would save him, so we commenced and picked him up quite exhausted. I do not think that he was again fishing for his hat. I returned home and slept well.

Tuesday 20th. Went ashore; for our last mail. Wrote a letter home and also to Wm. E. Lawrence. With a long walk through [illegible] I was [illegible] at home in [illegible] and everything appears quite natural. A few peculiarities that, you see here, the females from the highest down, go with their heads uncovered almost invariably, and if a mine, which is generally the case, attended by a slave, walking behind, carrying any little thing. Children going to school are also accompanied in the same way. The ladies drap with very little drap and do not compare with the men in personal beauty as a race, though I have seen some quite pretty. Rather a dull sort of a day, getting tired enough of our vacations delay and wishing to get along to El Dorado.

Wednesday 21st. Spent a very pleasant day in company with Charles. I commenced with the Cash early in the morning and running to Charles room found him in bed. I soon turned him out however and we proceeded together to the market to cut a little fancy for the dinner, which is situated

at the termination of the Ave Maria, at which place Grand high mass and other ceremonies were to be performed on account of its being a festival day in Lent, and I was never more gratified in my life. We were fortunate in meeting a Mr Roberts, an Englishman who has been here some years and who speaks the language well and is well acquainted with the monks, a great many of whom, as the police report of Sevilla. He took us all around and explained every thing to us. The interior of the Chapel is still magnificent, the whole sides and top being gilded and carved which though somewhat faded, still retains a good deal of its original splendor. The rites and ceremonies were of the most imposing character to partake of to a Catholic but to me it seemed more in the light of a theatrical display. The dresses of the priests were rich in the extreme and a number of their garments were literally covered with jewels, but what charmed and delighted me was the music, which was equal if not superior to any thing I have heard at the Opera, in which style every thing was sung and performed. Every variety of instruments and voices from the highest alto to the deepest bass, are used. The building was well filled with, soldiers, sailors and citizens, and it was one of the finest sights we as yet passed if not excepted. They then commenced, seemed from a fine looking priest afterwards, which we listened to with great attention. He being in Portuguese we

not particularly edified. We saw the place belonging to the Institution massive silver candlesticks almost without number, and also the interesting point, but what pleased me most particularly was the dining table set out for a sumptuous repast after the services. The table extended the whole length of a long room and was capable of dining probably 200 persons. It was covered with a profusion of very delicious wine which served to tempt the appetite and each much was furnished with a decanter of cordials served round for his own private purposes. The floor of the whole edifice was completely spread with rose petals and orange and cinnamon leaves which gave a most agreeable perfume and the building being very cool withal made it the most pleasant and inviting place I have been into. As I had no particular invitation I did not remain to dine.

We afterwards returned to our hotel and took an humble meal and then to the Emperor's Gardens by the Shore. We spent a couple of hours strolling about hither and its associations very pleasantly. We then strolled homewards by the shore side and on our way came to the conclusion of going on the rail to San Domingo and Nice Grand to spend the evening and stay all night. We accordingly "jumped aboard the tragaupla" and went across the river. It was quite dark when we got to the other side which is about 5½ miles

We stopped at the first village, place called Don Francisco, the next one being Rio Grande. And after a stroll, put up for the night at the house of a Frenchman, a very decent respectable place. We met here Lieut Allen of the Chilt Colon, and a young Brazilian named Luis Castro, Camp's clerk. We all spent a very pleasant evening. Young Castro made himself very agreeable and is as perfect a gentleman as can be. His father had been to Washington New York Phila & some other places and he said his sisters and brothers were learning the English language and liked the society of Americans. His brother is the Governor of the Province. He gave us an invitation to call at his house whenever we went down.

Thursday. 22d Spent a very restless night did not sleep half an hour with the mosquitoes and my own infirmities which as I felt quite unwell. Got an breakfast about 9. and after paying our bill, which was most exorbitant though, to the extortion of his wife a perfect shrew, who never changes from a scowl for fastening on the ugly face, if possible, we started out in quest of adventures. Having not slept in the night and not feeling refreshed, together with the oppressive oppressiveness of the atmosphere. I did not feel particularly in a walking mood, but getting on some roots in the shore, commenced bathing our feet in the pure cool water, which refreshed us considerably. Looking about we "seeing whom we might devour" we happen

to discover some few quite pretty shells which lead us to look further and lead to the discovery of a great many really beautiful specimens both small and large which I intend preserving as a memento of the place. We spent the day till about 3 o'clock in this way and then the rain commenced falling, which obliged us to desist and make tracks towards home. I saw today the first really venomous snake since I have been here. A party of us were going off to the ship in hand so one of us spotted to one side of a boat and I spotted to another side of course anxious to secure our money and both accordingly sung out to the plane to have the boat up to the landing. We ran into the first one, and then the other to put his spleen, commenced beating most unmercifully his unfortunate slave. Though they were not at all to blame being further off than the other. There was 5 of them and he went through the whole. Not a cry escaped them on all this stir a muscle. I really felt for them from the bottom of my heart.

After getting across we took dinner at Thomas, and found to my surprise that the Capt. had brought charges against the passengers for breaches of neglect with I am afraid will detain us a little longer. How we are wasting an valuable time in these unfortunate dissentions. The Capt. I think will retain command I think in spite of the Consul who was in the wrong but it will not do to displease him.

The Revenue Cutter Ewing went to sea today. She is bound for California, Commanded by Commander Bartlett, who has taken a much lively interest in our troubles, more so than any man on board and more than he should have done. He is a very active man and I think our Committee could have dispensed with his accompanying us. I find now that he has returned on account of head winds. But living aboard ship is very good indeed in the mean time, hot rolls, and other viands.

I found on my return to the ship tonight that some of our passengers had ordered a meeting tomorrow morning at 9, which must be over the change of the Capt.

Friday 23d. I spoke out, as I generally do on board ship and cut a good more. The weather is lowering and indicates rain. I have went aboard ship to write and attend to some letter matters.

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Security in which the fact [illegible] disputed. Thursday and after dinner intending [illegible] Telegraph a short [illegible] to the San Angelos Cas[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] dinner. Oh, how I think of me [illegible] and me the joys of life.

[illegible] though I had frequently seen it before
[illegible] I felt some degree
[illegible]
[illegible] grand commencement of the
[illegible] ship's decks,
[illegible] in honor of the day, being
the birthday of Columbus, when Peter I [illegible]
[illegible] Fortunes. Spirit
[illegible] hot [illegible] and [illegible] and
myself with a great deal of [illegible], went
[illegible] the town
which was [illegible] by the most [illegible] that
has [illegible] since, since I have been here.
It is the greatest place known for Gala
days known. I should judge for ever since I
arrived, every third day, was ushered in with
ringing of bells &c for some purpose or other
Well to this Fourth of July of the Brazilians—
of which I will endeavor to give a slight
discription, at sunrise they commenced by a grand
salute from all the forts in and about the city.
and the vessels of War, as well as the Artillery,
with ringing of bells enough to deafen one,
which ringing was continued all day at short intervals
at about 11 o'clock the military to the number
of about 3000, well dressed, but miserably drilled, all
formed after marching from their different barracks
in front of the Emperors Palace, at which
was held a grand Levee, at which all
the dignitaries of State, Naval and Military
and Foreign Ministers attended, We Sat
and Talk on Minister Conene, being
among the number, and standing above the
generality, by their superior height and

demeanor as if conscious of superiority, the greatest Nation on the earth, all dressed in full Costume. The Artillery were all dragged by soldiers instead of horses. [illegible] one of the military pageantries I have seen in old England.

Every thing being ready, the troops new and marched in review before the Governor and Officers who took appeared in a balcony of the Palace, and in honor a grand fete de joie was fired.

The afternoon gave chess and vivas for their health in [illegible] fine fish cutlets as I have seen them at home. The day was quite pleasant, though cloudy, which served to break the intensity of the sun's heat. After this the military, withdrew marching to the music of several fine bands — The chaises and equipages of the Courtiers were exceedingly rich and you see a great many fine Gentlemen among them. But I getting tired enough of this Pageantry, and bent to be at sea again, I found on returning to the Ship, that my friends had been on to the beach fishing and crabbing and had some fine fun, employing time a good manner which made an excellent supper. The Brig Sarah McFarland arrived today, in 57 days from Boston, bound to California. The town is quite full of Americans. The Christoval Colon, Apollo, and Caroline being the only ones in port. The Steamer Panama went to sea in fine style, we gave her 3 hearty cheers as she went by which were returned from her. The Cutter Corning and Lawrence also went to sea on day or two since. I know a great many of their officers [illegible] Midshipmen Fellows and Lavalle midshipman [illegible], Chaney went on board ship, with our Boat to dinner and it coming on to rain hard, he was obliged to stay all night. We strong arm our passengers who like learn and

We turned in quite early, he sleeping in the
Macdonald berth.
Monday, 26th. Very slow and hot this morning. Cloudy.
After breakfast, we went ashore. I went
to the Consul's and found, that he had digested
our Capt., and ..... Step I fear that
those found in formerly, not used again,
Telling about. I went to the Quay for the
purpose of going to the ship, when the
Capt. gave me an invitation to go off in
his boat, which I did accordingly. We
went aboard the U.S. Brig Perry
this is the only American Man of War in
port. The Capt. has from previous consulation, almost
in tumbles and then went aboard ship, turned
in, and a snooze. Got up eat half a
dozen oranges, & drank a cup of tea, read a
little and then to bed, disturbed only by
the noise and of some of our fellows, who
got up a rig about searching for contraband
goods, appointed a mock sheriff, and com-
menced searching the different stations, generally
taking a horse in each; till they are got
pretty boozy.
Tuesday, 27th. All hands on board busy getting
yellow wood for the ship bound which
will be down for New York, by which I have
half a day ready, being a pleasant day. I
determined to stay on board. Passed the
morning till dinner time reading and smoking.
The new Capt., named Esterbrooks, came
on board to day, but as our Capt. Tibbetts
was ..... to the Consul, he made a
stay. He dined with us, and appears to
be a very ..... fellow. The Consul
came on board with him in a Man of War

boat and after calling all hands around him passengers and crew he delivered a short and impressive address to them, stating his regret at being obliged to disappoint their wishes and wishing them a pleasant and speedy voyage under new Capt. Cow Mates and the Majority of the Crew, Firmness that they will not go to sea if we Capt Orde not command them,

Just before dinner Charly came on board and I made him stay; He had been talking with some friends who had performed the feat of ascending the Sugar Loaf which has only been done a very few times and which we were doing, or attempting when shown the weather grew unfavorable, I tumbled off the mules clothes and came down intending to take a good sleep and start at daylight. Good night, Mother, the Coming to Mrs Lawrence, Mjr C— son, Frank, and Caroline, which vessel will sail on Friday.

Wednesday 28th. The foremost day of my life in our sense, we have accomplished the ascent and descent of Sugar Loaf safely. I will give a short account. Morning eaten on breakfast at 5 A M; which we had ordered into our room the night before, and which consisted of only, a bottle of port claret wine, a few bananas and a roll a piece, we sallied out expecting to mount on our fleet; Mr Holden L Boswell, the former a young gentleman travelling for health, which has been completely restored by his trip thus far, the brother of Bragg, visiting the diamond and gold mines &c, which has never been done before by an American. And the latter also staying in Rio for the benefits of his health, which has improved very much, as he has been [illegible] Genuine Jackson here some 5 years and

witnesses remaining about the same time etc.
Both of these gentlemen are young about 25 and most excellent company. but to resume.

It was quite dark and wants about an hour of daybreak when we groped our way out of our hut door, and taking our station, after a short wait, at the landing, we waited patiently for this arrival, as we had prepared to start at daybreak. After waiting about one hour and speculating on this non arrival from times thinking they might have gone on &c they at last came up, dressed for the occasion of course, for an affair of this kind you must expect to find your clothes in some relation, changed to rebands. We adjourned to a neighboring cafe and after partaking of a cup of coffee around we got under weigh, we had to row all the way down as there was no wind and the tide against us. But fair we landed to U.S. Brig Perry from which we proceed the New Orleans, which was to be planted of course. Mr Browne had provided himself with a hatchet, rope, and matches all of which we found, usefull, as the highest degree as to the rope we never could have got up with the wind without it in some of the most dangerous places, which made my blood almost shudder as I moved. It was not long we so pulled away from the Perry, and we pulled steadily along, the sun and city I was surprised to see, was free of life at this early hour, which fact I know not even capable of judging of before having seen such later, the streets were free of ladies with their gentlemen, some going to morning mass, some for bathing

blind from for a while, and they generally were of this most respectable class. The air, too at this time in the morning, is perfectly lovely. After a short time hum old Sol began to shine out in fine glory, giving promise of a hot day, which to us was anything but desirable as we were to be exposed to it in the fullest extent, climbing the side next to it, with nothing to shield us. We got our awning up in the boat and lighting a cigar, spent the time in most agreeable and instructive conversation relative to Bonaire, Curaçao, &c. After leaving the City and turning the point of Fort the Sugar loaf lays almost due from you, leaving quite a narrow passage between Fort and the main land, but through which a very heavy land swell is rolling at all times breaking with tremendous force and height upon the rock from shore. We chose this way as being by far the nearest and pushed along. Our little boat, tossed and pitched almost like a nutshell, but nevertheless by keeping her head on, she took no water, "But now comes the tug of war." The base of the peak, discovered of a mass of large rock, upon one of which, which has a low flat surface, you have to land. You can imagine the danger of effecting this under the circumstances, though this arising from the peculiar state of the tide it was done comparatively easy, by backing up the boat to the edge, and when quite near, one jumps to the rock, which is no small feat of agility from a boat rolling as rolling as such a rate, then "stern all" and pull back, watch your chance between the next breaker and launch on jump. We thus landed safely, with an effect, and giving the Negro

some stamps and writing. Let them get out of the breakers and go where they should be serviced they would be back by a certain time.

We then stowed away in the canvas of the sacks these clothes that we could dispense with, and began our toilsome excursion. We prepared to go through with it if possible, though a few apprehensions, made almost convinced of the utter impossibility of the thing.

The height of Puga hoy is only 1299 feet but the surface is so uneven in places and you having to traverse almost its whole side in some cases to find something accessible, that the distance to the top is lengthened out to 3 or 4 miles. Returning, for the first mile the surface is covered with a light soil of about 1½ in depth, which again is covered with a rank growth of tough grass, about 2 or 3 miles in height, which is very singular to the touch having a soft or hairy feeling, but which is exceedingly difficult to wade through as you have to lift your legs at every step, though matter that it is impossible to pass them without falling. After passing this part, which is decidedly the easiest part of the whole ascent, we came to a few feet of table land and we threw themselves on the ground for a few minutes, while we all stood bright, in spite of the perspiration had been nothing else in stream, and I never perspired so in my life.

We now had recovered our wind and started afresh, but difficulties were encountered at every step. In some cases we found it necessary to scramble for 50 or 100 feet on the bare rock, at an angle of 45 degrees, with nothing to cling to but a few scattered air plants, tufts of grass and cactuses, with their sharp points, wounding us at every step.

this Atoll contains for about another mile, varied occasionally by patches of grass. Between the ledges or the sides of the almost perpendicular cliffs, I must say a word about these curious plants which are the most singular plants I ever saw. They grow, right on the solid rock with no root to them in appearance the resemble the pine apple plant, the leaves extending out from a common centre, forming centres - which at all times are filled with delicious, cool water a long stem and flower grow from the centre, the stems about 5 feet long with seeds at the end, which when ripe, distribute themselves around and form plants as I saw before. They present a most luxurious appearance from the fact I suppose that they retain every drop of water, which falls into their spreading leaves. There is also a seed, formed near this, which in the absence of a cup, forms an excellent tube for imbibing the precious fluid.

These curious plants strange from their rigorous appearance are my aid to mislead the mariner, as they usually grow in the most dangerous places on the naked rock, where one would not cling for some support, but the slightest pull will detach them from their frail footing and send the unlucky traveller to the bottom. Well this all was passed and we gradually as we had seen nothing comparably. We again made another halt, as we had now approached the most dangerous pass, indeed it seemed absolutely impossible and madness to attempt it. But Mr Bonnet young man of great resolution, encouraged us, saying that if he had done it and we could be done, so after taking another refreshing draught

from the air so cold, I started, taking with him the rope and hatchet, slung around his waist. he first ascended some ten feet perpendicular, clinging to the shrubs and tufts of grass, when he reached a rock just above him split into two pieces, both of which rested in the solidest foundation and seemed as though the weight of an mountain precipitate them upon us, who were lying immediately below it, watching his movements with much anxiety. This rock he manage to ascend by wrenching his body, partly, in the crevice (for there was not sufficient room for his entire body,) and edging upwards slowly, the only hold being the pressure exerted on the sides. This rock, which was only about 12 feet or so in height in this way, he got to the top of and found his difficulties just begun. For above him to the height of 20 feet there was nothing at all apparently for him to cling to, and above that it projected somewhat about 5 feet or more.

He was now in a really alarming position for he could not retreat without an act of the rope, slipping accurately a little above, in order, if he fell, and there appeared no help above. The projection of the rock, shut him out entirely from our view so that we were ignorant of his perilous position, though even if we had known it we could have given no assistance, there was hardly room for me. He told us afterwards that it was the most alarming position he ever was placed in for a false or mistaken move then would certainly decide. We managed to keep his mind with Jemmie Gill the possession to "go ahead" at this

alarming proportions, and by a succession of almost superhuman efforts managed to obtain a firm hold and footing when resting a few moments for breath, he reached over the projecting rock above him and seizing a broad shrub or twig he hauled himself safely over, and lay on the level space for some time completely exhausted. We in the mean time, were in an invisible position. If we were clinging, slipping every moment to the steep sides with nothing to hold to, but the grass which was becoming every moment weaker and weaker, wondering all the time at the delay and disappearance of B. who had been invisible now more than 1/4 of an hour. —

We were all shewn shortly afterwards by his singing out to us that he was safe. He soon set about fastening his rope. but this was no easy matter, as nothing in the fine or short line of any security presented itself. But it was absolutely necessary that something should be done for his own preservation, as much as for our ascent, for the few twigs and tufts that had supported him had he detached by his movements. He at last found the crown of a rock which though insecure was the only thing that would answer at all. The rope was accordingly fastened to the crown which was so uncertain a support, and B. hold on with both hands, slung the other end down where to our dismay we found that it was not more than half long enough. We sung out to him that such was the case as he was shut out entirely from our view, and though it must have given him great pain for a time yet he immediately set to, to devise some plan for lengthening it. He thought of stripping off shirt and pants, but found that the united length,

of all units not answer the purpose and then how to get them up, would be the next question. Mr B. determined things on rope was quite smart in the first place to construct it and accordingly sold so. And fastening it second time, threw it down again to us. We found that we just reached and then we all after getting upon the slipped rock, which was nearly of itself almost a fistem to climb. But up we went one after the other till all were safely landed at the top, and in going up we stretched twelve the last perpendicular side of earth, stone or any thing else upon the surface making it perfectly smooth,

Mr Like were hung up so viscous a thread actually speaking. We all took another good rest and quench our thirst, and then formed. Turning now was much more perpendicular and tiresome. When it was below the pass. but after what we had just passed seemed quite easy.

We had the same of travelling, walked, rock, and sand grass all the way up till we got within about 1/2 mile of the top, when what would be called in Mexico, a Chappine commenced. Before entering which we stopped for lunch and after drinking which assumed consider in setting down stones down the perpendicular side, which we now wrote edge of. We had quite an incident which might very well have been an accident.

Mr Brooks was standing on the edge in and on the side attempting to climb quite a large stone, when after several attempts it gave way, and he lost his balance for a moment, when he clutched the stone, which moved at

fine but afterwards caught, and saved him. If he had gone in it was so steep that he would have fallen 100 feet without touching anything. We gave him a regular lecture about his rashness. I for my part was so frightened that my blood ran cold in my veins for a moment. This happened after we got fairly into it, was the hardest work of all though there was nothing dangerous, except the fear of suffocation, for it was as much as we could do to draw breath, as the wind came up as high as the head, and running, owing of all sizes and great strength were entangling the legs and body. Besides the mosquitoes were my running and minute spiders, were continually striking in in the face, as you pushed your way through.

The work was so hard here that I was on the point of quitting upon the ground ~~more~~ than me as well as my companions from sheer exhaustion. And as there was no wind or air stirring and the sun fairly blistering us and no air plant to refresh us. I found it a difficult thing indeed to draw my breath even. But this even was accomplished and we emerged from it on the other side glad enough for the change.

We soon recommenced the descent and getting on the other side when by laying in the high grass, we could be shielded from the sun, we off with our caps, and stretched ourselves fairly out and lay still for some minutes, heeding nothing around us, not even the splendid view. After a while we all felt better and standing again from our old friend the air plant, which even now grew fast, lean

and taking a sip of brandy and water. We commenced a number of Christy's songs by Miguel of Bessie and Holden, who had not heard them at all, and after exhausting the Calendar. Set to work to find a good sapling on which to display the stars and stripes. We found also an old Brazilian color, on the first time has been used on a formal occasion.

After looking around a little we discovered a nice straight sapling and soon had it down and trimmed with an hatchet, and digging a hole we erected a number of good sized stones to place it firmly in the ground, with the "Gaucho" firmly lashed to it. We found the decayed flagstaff, that had been used before and tying the Brazilian colors to it put it up also, but with little regard to security, as we felt time with our premonitory experiences. It is singular to notice that there are no trees on the sides but just near the top. There is quite a pretty little clump of trees and vines which is crowded with thousands of beautiful butterflies, humming birds &c which being near disturbed go on in perpetual summer harmonizing quite a paradise for them. There are a good many varieties of pretty flowers. Taking with the shape of trees, we commenced cutting canes, some of which were very good sized. I got three from but lost all but two in descending. There being a very thick growth of undergrowth. I noticed a great many curious and fantastic formations of rock, some of which I have. I also brought down a piece of granite cut from the top,

We amused ourselves in this way for an hour or so, and then cutting our name upon a card we fastened it into a little bamboo cane for the occasion, with the date &c and cutting the initials upon an American flag staff, we started on our downward march, which was comparatively easy, as the power was to hold back instead of ascending, and when we came to dangerous places we sat down and slid down on our backs, and in fact I slid about half the way down. I noticed the difference particularly in the ledges, which were almost impossible to ascend but by getting down "Yankee" as the boys say. Nothing can tell you how I did not slip too fast. By clapping the hands along the descent was accomplished very quickly. When we arrived at the pass we of course had to the single bottle of ginger beer after sandwiches and chocolate we all got down safely. We then made up our minds to prevent any one in future from ascending, and to make this pass impassable was the work of a very short time for as I said before the rock was perfectly smooth. By our rubbing getting up, with our hammers on the back of the hatchet we knocked off the sharp edges that we clung to in ascending and fastening a stone to the end of the rope, threw it its full length in a direction which it will be impossible to be seen or reached. We then set fire to the light brush which we collected and which soon burned up furiously taking off the last vestige of vegetation and cracking off pieces of the rock. Having

accomplishing our object. we travelled slowly down setting fire here and there to the dry grass till we had about 15 or 20 fires burning together, which presented a beautiful appearance and which caused quite a commotion among the lizards and other reptiles which have their undisturbed dominion here. We arrived at the bottom and found that our trouble had not ended. Our boat lay just outside of the breakers which now as the tide was pretty low up dashed up to a tremendous height and gave my little chance for an boarding vessel. As she sick upon which we landed was now with the water and when the waves came in was completely engulfed. but as young Golden was about leaving the next day for home in the morning, it was necessary that some risk should be taken to accomplish the things. At after 2 or 3 unsuccessful attempt, Bennett got on board my comfortably and Golden right after him. they they pushed away to avoid the next breaker. And in coming up to take us he was carried in by the wave and came near stranding the boat as she struck. but their backing broke the force and we they went with the undertow, Our position was far from comfortable, for we had remained on the point all this moment. and, seeing the white foam of the wave which dashes the heavy spray to just above our heads and we to the skin every time. We found a good deal of difficulty in boarding a number of times commencing being washed off as the

head backwards, so far as to take some time to approach us. She got up at last and in jumping aboard, her weight caused her to roll and rather throw like the Chinese I threw myself right into her face first, knocking myself a good round, across the shoot by falling on the thwarts and stunning my wrists in the scramble. We soon were all right under weigh, and taking the helm from her right before the wind for home; which we reached in the shortest possible time, wet, worn out, weary and hungry, having eaten nothing since day break, and unfortunately Clark, has fared worse than the rest, becoming sea sick as we approached the shore in the morning from the violent motion of the boat, had lost his small meal on board. It was about 6 o'clock when we reached the Shore and after taking a good wash, changing our clothes we went down to dinner to which we did ample justice. I went up stairs afterwards and had no sooner taken a seat upon the Sofa, before me I fell and fast asleep I went deeper as I was, and did not feel a mosquito, scorpion or anything till day light next morning when I awoke and set about writing this discription.

Thursday, 29th. Mr Mew Capt. it appears is determined to get on 7 P.M. as possible, fore or going aboard today, sails all bent and ship ready, fresh, which is the best news I have heard in some time, finishing and my letters by the Evening and Post thrown on board. Went on board ship to dinner, warm off with

on board ashore for the fireworks.
Procession ashore again tonight, which
known I have not the curiosity to remain to
see.
Friday. 30th Went ashore again, this
afternoon to see a grand Procession by
torch light this afternoon and evening.
Tried on new boat, sailing quality
which occasioned my wife a time. Got
unfortunately, coming alongside, she carried
away her mast and we had a tow
on for the ship. The Colin is to
sail tomorrow morning and Charley
and his friends have been good enough
go aboard this ship in good health
and spirits. The procession was the
most magnificent I have seen here
some 75 or 100 young girls dressed as I
have described before. Jesus, scenes
depicting Christ in his different
agonies. Military displays, priests and
bishops also. Stood for a long time
before the Cathedral, which contained the
Emperor and empress. To return I had
the honor of bowing and hat and it
being returned by a slight acknowledgement.
Came aboard quite late at night and
turned in. My exploits to Sugar Loaf let them
all in the quiver, to do the same which
experiment I am trying.
Saturday 31st Out sailing great part of the
day, order posted for the passengers all to be aboard
as the ship sails tomorrow morning.
Sunday. Apl 1st. Boarded by the Custom House
officers. One in the Cabin going to the port for his
pay. Found that the passenger vessel against

which will detain us till Tuesday morning, to make matters worse, the Pilot, said, passed us, we gave her known three hearty cheers and one more which was returned in the same manner. In the afternoon we again took another sail, visiting a great many pretty little bays in this magnificent harbor, and took a fine bath in the surf, on the sand beach. We left a party of 3 on the Sugar Loaf, who wished to make the ascent. I doubted whether they would be able to do it, and made a small bet. 25 to, accordingly. We went to return for them towards night, which we did after a great deal of exertion and danger, for we carried away our mast, and the surf was so high that it endangered the safety of the boat and all in it. We got them all on board safely, safe, though they had made up their minds to spend this night there, having collected leaves and so forth, for the purpose. Our arrangements on board ship, have improved very much indeed. having added another cook, and 3 more stewards, serve tea twice a day, fresh provisions, new pumps, chickens, sheep & live stock, of different kind, are on board, and from appearances we shall have a pleasant voyage. Monday, 27. Stayed on board and wrote up my journal. Fine day. Capt gone to town to arrange our departure, 3 boats gone off on pleasure parties, some to Sugar Loaf, some to Corcovado &c, some to town and some to the beach for bathing. I have no wish to go anywhere myself. No letters any more. In the afternoon, 5 of us, manned the ship's dinghy and sailed away for the entrance Phoenix, our first mate, Mr French, alsoship for him to see some of his friends, and get relation

so from this we passed to the Schnr Wm Gage from New York, as I learnt that no one from Bedford was in board. I was much pleased to see young Palmer, who said that he had heard before leaving that we at home were well, which put me in excellent spirits.

The Capt came on board, and gave us the welcome intelligence that we should be towed out the first thing in the morning. went to bed early on the strength of it and slept well.

Tuesday. 3.d Rose with the Sun. found the steamboat was just coming along side. and we soon got the anchor weighed and headed for the Ocean, our Capt seems to be first rate fellow and is so far a gentleman, saying little, but "armed". We have a lovely day, with a gentle breeze,

The Brig Sarah McFarland also is beating out just astern of us. Though the sea is calm some half dozen complain of incipient sea sickness this afternoon. I feel well — Lovely moonlight night, commenced our singing again, with fine effect, Mr Brown also favored the ladies and musters with some very pretty airs on the guitar and flute, turned in at 9 o'clock

Wednesday h. 10.25 m. Nothing new, gentle breeze, from the N.N.E. Excellent breakfasts and dinner. I could not have supposed that so great a change could be effected in so short a time. our meals are now characterized always by a proper decorum, in addition, our attitude the food is good and abundant. and I may say safely that our ship is the best and best furnished that goes out.

I spent this day in reading. Just at night I
resumed my old place at the main topgallant
yard. and took a look out. discovered
the S. Mexicana on the weather beam
about 2½ miles off. Wind ahead.
beating. 8 P.M. steering S.S.W.

Thursday 5th. Calm all day. through fair
weather & mistest. passed a brig about 5
miles off. several portuguese men of war and
albacore about the ship but caught none.
spent almost the entire day in reading. pumpkins
pies and other luxuries for dinner. quite like
home. We had quite a practical joke on a
few Tomorrow evening. It was agreed that a
Court should be organised for the trial of
all sorts of common offences. such as spitting
on deck. on the tiles, and the officers
were duly elected. Judge, district attorney
sheriff and all. Being puffed up with their
new power. they wished to make an example immediately. so pounced upon a Mr Gay of our
Co. charging him with something committed below
and after a hearing fined him a pound all
round. They were accordingly sinced against
his will however. and those participating in
it. thought it a fine joke. but lo. in an
hour or so after. one after another were
seized with fever vomiting and obliged to
turn to leeward in a hurry making a
most lugubrious appearance. It appears that some third party unknown
put an emetic into the mistaken impression
and. After they had all partaken
heavily. they were very much incensed
against the party who did the thing. and
a number were displeased with it. which

Sherwood 1,00 ✓
Clark 1,50 ✓ 1 ✓
R D Mayo 2,50 ✓

Summers Evening Meditation.

do 50 ✓
Westbrook 50 ✓
Stone 13
Guldick 6,13

'Tis past. The sultry tyrant of the south
Has spent his short Reign; more grateful pours
More silent on; the skies no more repell
The dazzled sight, but with mild maiden beams
Of tempered lustre court the churched eye
To wander o'er their sphere where hemm'd aloft
Drays bright

The finger of thy God

Bell.

produced a good deal of bad talking and bad feeling, and put quite a damper upon the owners of the Snag and Snag. In fact I think it will keep up the whole trip. We spent a pleasant evening thus it being clear moonlight having good music, we had a dance. Got to bed early. I bought out my "Uncle Tom's Cabinet" which is a genuine fraud.

27.11.45.10

Friday 27th Light winds still all day. Very different from our departure from New York. Was much amused by the frolics of a large grampus (a species of whale) in the prop. for some 20 feet right out of water, and then dive again with a tremendous splash. At Long Bank passed Arbroath at about 3 o'clock, and there is also a Brig on our lee astern, which we take to be the S. McFarlan.

Dull sort of a day. Indication of wind in the morning which would have been quite acceptable as I have quite a bag full of clothes for the washer. It has clean blown towards night. Tried sailing 3 knots, wind N.N.E. As the wind is so light, the S. McFarlan, being a small craft, and drawing little water, by spreading all her canvass, can outsail us and she has been steadily approaching since early this morning. At dark the wind blew away still more, the gale promised of, our being within sight of land, and at 7 P.M. the usual cry of Morning ho. A number determined to wait and see the end up. It was a magnificent moonlight night and our

respective vessels presented a beautiful sight to each other. She was opposite to us at about ½ past 11 P.M. and she hailed us, which was returned by our Capt. on hand, but him being silent. He then told us that the brig we had seen had passed his, and was the Bark Hartford of New York 6 days from New York, going into St Katharine for water bound to California 157 passengers. They gave us 3 cheers which we returned and after many expressions of good will on both side we parted company and we turned in. Wind keeping up.

Sat. 29. Sundays 7. Calm again this morning so we have run for nothing at any of consequence since we left. The L. McL. is away to leeward about 5 miles, we have gained in her direction. Days of Calm without end.

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Sunday 8. Cloudy day. Calm with occasional light squalls which make it quite unpleasant, and especially to me on that account obliged to remain below with the hatches down. Divine service at 11 o'clock by Mr Morgan. Rain fell up about noon, weather still cloudy. I am getting quite tired of my voyage and it seems an immortality since we left Rio. Just after our dinner we discovered a boat putting off from the L. McFarland and after pulling a couple of hours, they succeeded in boarding us.

A fine breeze sprung up in the meantime which continued to increase, so that this vessel had to beat down to us to take them off, which considering the roughness was a matter of danger proceeding. Williams of Tonawanda

night - with a fine Autumnal sunset which with the coming of the weather reminded me of in our latitude, great number of birds of different kinds are about the ship.

Monday. 9th 32.15, 47.53 75, Fine wind all night. The S. McF. have come astern. We have very little of a current spread about we can set which quite frightened some of the timid. Passed a couple of large bottles on the top of the water. weather growing cooler every day. as we get further South, wind increasing to quite a gale. Young Wheat in my stations and was forced to go on deck about 3 o'clock in the morning. found it blowing a stiff gale and as the ship was pretty hard up. the lee rail was very much, Can't be Care is a great feeder for reaching on sail and a Carina carry on for topgallant Castles accordingly. but saves the mast.

Tuesday 10th 34.52. 50.30 31. Glorious fine and the air [illegible] cool bracing like, the weather, some few birds. sea rough. Towards noon the wind moderated and gradually fell quite calm. The day spent in arranging our boats and stuff on deck in the least exposed place we can. Enjoyed a good game of whist. Glass of punch and cigar in the evening with a few friends.

Wednesday. 11th 35.02.52 68. Fine cool weather and light wind. As far as the eye can reach water is covered with weed and the abundant birds quite communicated the birds of different kinds. some of which we may [illegible] We have now got to the latitude of sighting the Cape islands say which will be for Above Bell discovered a Cape of Storm whale

about 1 some apt this beam. who sported a mouthful of trimmings beautifully. and half an hour afterwards a fin back just off the weather quarter. The water at the same time was filled with thousands of porpoises.
Mr Frend. 1st Mate. tried hard to get a crack at them but could not. We killed a few of the birds. We shall soon now get to the region of the albatross. off Cape Horn. a most lovely night.
Thursday. 12th 38.28 53.3 Air bracing in the extreme and as clear as can be. In fact it is as pleasant and delightful as I can experience. We had quite an exciting time this afternoon shooting at birds. of which there were millions and millions sitting on the water as far as the eye could reach and flying about in every direction. every few minutes we would come upon flocks of them. which would be disturbed in this sport by 20 or 30 gun pistols &c. There was only 2 or 3 varieties and most of them quite large about the size of duck some as large as a goose. We have been going along finely with a splendid breeze which continued all night. the evening was quite cool and all feeling it, chilly influence felt like spot for warming. so we got up one of the richest chowder fegist that you can imagine. the whole deck being covered with combatants. every man for himself. a rending pushing &c till they were completely exhausted. and the blood circulated freely.
Friday 13. 21.15 54.52 Wind increasing and

last to a gong gale this morning which caused the water to flow on on decks in great style, and down the hatchways, which also tended the comfort of a good many sleepers in an unpleasant manner. Our ship fairly flies through the water, but everything is cold and cheerless on deck and below. Till 2 o'clock when the Sun shone out again pleasantly, and the wind moderated enough to take down fairly. Lay schools of porpoises around the ship and numbers of birds, though not as many as yesterday, a few of which were shot by our sportsmen. Air very cold for the latitude and no more ice. Smooth sea in the evening. There was quite a concert in the sailors forecastle. Some of the passengers had with them fiddle and guitar and as some of the sailors sing well we had some good music and dancing. Though the wind blows a gong gale yet we are brought upon ships that are do not make much headway. These cold nights make us all sleepy early.

Saturday 55 16th Lat. 38.42.38, Lon. 58.58. The wind still holds and has blown fresh all night. About the morning watch, in crossing, lowering in bottom of clew a sample of cotton. This morning gave news to the ship which we had reason to catch with a hook and line but we were going to land for the first time. A whale was seen also from aloft. The wind has been

increasing each day and we found it necessary to take in all but reefed topsails and the lower sails. Our course from Rio is about S.S.W. and we find it rather difficult to get the westings with the prevailing winds drive us Eastward. I find with considerable excess that we can keep quite comfortable but without it, it is very strange. We are now about half way down the Coast of Patagonia. I was surprised to hear from my Captain that there is a settlement called Rio Negro on this Coast, which is the trading place of English & American Merchants to some extent.

Sunday 15th Lat. 52.05 S. Long. 59.29 W. Cloudy, cold and raw the air is this morning. The thermometer range from 50 a 54 at Sunrise for the last week, which is a very great and sudden change from the Burning Suns of Rio. We have our Cabin doors closed and kitchen closed. Mr Morgan the Steward quite unwell performed the regular service on deck notwithstanding to weather. Towards night the wind increased to a severe gale and while shortening sail carried away the fore topgallant sheet and backstays. We run all night under double reefed topsails - going sometimes 10 or 12 knots, and the ship pitching heavily. Towards the wind shifted and moderated considerably.

Monday 16th Lat. 48.39 S. 57.07 W. Cleared off fine and bracing sharp breeze up. makes a great deal of motion. Thermometer 48. I feel fine, the bracing air gives me a fine appetite. Mr Bingham is quite unwell today, and so Mr Morgan also. Quite a number of the "Boys" quite on quite a spree today, which had the effect of putting half a dozen to bed and thus keeping them quiet. I read Bojer the greater part of the day - Wind increasing towards night. Clouds looking

very squally. About 11 o'clock the gale commenced by carrying away our spanker gaff, every thing was now got in readiness to meet it, all sail taken in but spencer, close reefed main topsail, foresail and foretopmast staysail. Most awful sea on all night.

Tuesday 17th 59.00 — Wind increasing every hour and our cabin a scene of great confusion, settees chairs, trunks and every thing not lashed dashing about in great style. by being on the lee board tack. I slept quite well in my berth & bracing myself, thought there was great danger of turning out as she rolled so much. I went on deck after breakfast, and the scene was absolutely grand. The air cold and raw sea running mountain high, and breaking over the ship frequently. The ship strained some and in consequence shore in the larboard side of the stateroom saturated with water, [illegible] being high and dry. To make matters worse the wind was dead ahead, about S. W. so we were obliged to lay to, which was no easy matter in so heavy a sea. Enjoyed a good dinner at 2 o'clock. Wind increasing gradually and the ship rolling every moment, with her bulwarks under water, frightening some half out their wits, for she really looked as though she never would right at times. A good many got their Bibles out as I might call it, showing no appearance of abatement. I went on deck just at dark and never witnessed a more gloomy & awfully grand night. The wind has increased to such intensity that it was found dangerous to remain on the present tack so she was put about, throwing us on the starboard side down

in the water, and in ten minutes my stateroom that I prided myself as being so snug and nice, was completely saturated with water and I only saved my bed clothing by hanging them out. It was odd, most ludicrous, as well as serious sight to see all in my side hanging here and there, remaining their decks and endeavoring to find a place for sleeping for the night. My next neighbor Mr. Mackie has tackles his things out into the main cabin when a tremendous sea broaded on. Half of which found its way down the main hatch seaking his effects completely. I secured a settee lashed by a couple of chairs and laid down endeavoring to sleep. I had just got into a doze, being very tired, before the ship gave a heavy lurch and away went my settee against the dining table and then as she rolled back again, on I went backwards into the water which covered the floor some 3 or 4 inches, from the sea which boarded us every moment. Although this especially when repeated 3 or 4 times was not the thing to put any one in good humor yet I could not help laughing as every few moments something funny would turn up. Some one rolling out of his hammock, boots, hands and coats repretting and rolling around, others, smashing and every thing in the state room was not firmly lashed slinging around, and then a perfect cataract of water coming down the hatch. About 12 which it seems to have spent its strength and after blowing for 24 hours subsided, with an ugly

calm. What was my surprise and pleasure, was a large flock of birds. Cape pigeons, sea hens, albatrosses, snow petrels and Cape Chickens, which flew past in an easterly all day and in which the violence of the gale seemed to have no effect, as they were soon out of the sides of large billows for a moment, then fly, then light, just as though it was perfectly calm. The night passed away at Longest though it seemed interminable. Wednesday 18th 1847. 58.56 Quite a change today. The sea rolls terribly, but the wind has left us almost entirely, the air is quite raw and chilly, no calm is all wet and dirty, reminding one of a day after the burning of a house.

The Cape pigeons present a very pretty appearance, a whole flock pattering on the sea just astern of us, a number of which have been caught with fishhooks, They are very beautiful birds, very much like our pigeons only much larger and more spotted, We are trying to catch an albatross one of which of immense size, now flying about us. A beautiful white pigeon from the shore, came on board quite tired out and fell upon the main yard, and was caught by a Boy who presented it to Mrs Griffiths, intends taking it home if it lives. It is a most beautiful white bird. This afternoon another approached the mate, flew around as a messenger of peace but did not legislate, these 2 the only ones seen of the kind.

At 11 Boys again ascending the main yard,

might have crowded up all sail to take advantage of it. As I slept little or not at all last night I felt very sleepy and as soon as tea was over I arranged my mattress on a settee and was soon "in the arms of Morpheus," when I remained till seven o'clock

Thursday 19th 1837 Cold, dull, and drizzling this morning, enough to give any one the blues, did not feel well at all. All hands writing up their Journals, and drawing designs, describing the Ship Pacific, as she appeared in the last gale. Dallas the Carpenter, had his leg smashed quite badly by a barrel of beef, crushing it against the windlass. We had all our Stunsails set this morning but at 11 O'clock took them in as a sp of the wind hauling more ahead. Another white pigeon hovered around us again this afternoon, but did not come on board. The wind hauled ahead again, and we were obliged to stand all night under Lower sails. As the wind blew very fresh, got up a grand excitement in the shape of a much frightened, in which some 50 or so were engaged, any quantity of Boots and Coats were torn and a great deal of flour produced. Van Cazel who is a pretty little fellow, tried to and enjoy the fun amazingly; the gammes killed quite a number of pigeons, &c

Friday 20th 1837 5 A.M. We are once aroused from sleep by the cry of [illegible] We started in deck and as far as the eye could reach, the fields of Field-ice Icebergs were seen on the Starboard bow

They did not gain as much good humour as they were so indistinct. All that was visible was two high mountains.

The wind this morning is more favorable and we are taking advantage of it. We have also a heavy Cape Horn swell, Great numbers of birds of different kinds, A fine day, fell fine. For the first time, just after dinner, we discovered a Cape pigeon, which just accompanies, of the fine Cape tribe, which is the really first view we have had of the marine monster. He was to all appearance about 30 feet long and of a light brownish appearance. I amused myself, leaning a number of Sailors superstitious.

Saturday 21st 46 53.43. Fine day with stiff breeze, weather rather milder, Rather an unprofitable day. Good boxing matches in the afternoon which created much fun. and serve to keep our blood in circulation. The barometer has been gradually falling for the last 2 or 3 days and has not reach a point at which you may expect a storm.

Sunday 22d 55.44.33. Our fears are realized. The Gale commenced about 11½ o'clock P.M. with great suddenness and violence, which in reality was far ahead of the last, I found that it was impossible to sleep and turned out about 1 AM, found Tom H and one or two others up also. We continued to pass away the time till daylight in conversation about the gale, at times 1P, which was relieved by a song, dancing and a social glass, between the

head, elevated above one of the ~~beach~~ water, a young Malay, was shipped a sea, which was caused by ships being turned out of their beds by the rush of water coming down the beach, which, beat, threw both in the midst of women.

Never saw such a scene of confusion as our cabin presented, when daylight began to show itself for though we had lamp lights at night, yet they only assisted the darkness of making everything visible. Every thing movable or moveable, fastened was torn from its foundation, settees thrown from the floor to the table, baggage and trunks driving around by every roll, passengers, stoves, apartments, preserves, syrups, liquors &c broken and strewed about the different staterooms, not only destroyed themselves, but injuring every thing they came in contact with.

The ship rolled so, we could not use table, and it was fortunate in the thick heavy dry sample to keep fire going in the galley. So we had a hot roll and cup of coffee, dealt out to each. I thought I should die laughing at the crowd as they swayed backwards and forwards, holding their pie in their respective hands, every moment some one pitching the whole width of the cabin carrying half a dozen with him, breaking cups, spilling coffee &c. As it was almost impossible to go on deck, and as my stateroom was disagreeable enough from the water coming in. I was quite at a loss, what to do with myself. But at last thought of my old friend, Byron and spent the morning quite agreeably in going over the "Pilgrimage" alone to my amusement. Matters

No dinner, except [illegible]

Monday 23 continued from 2 pages ahead.
my cold and chilly the thermometer having
fallen to 34. and as our staterooms are
all wet and uncomfortable, the prospect
is disagreeable enough. I noticed great
many albatrosses about the ship today
and Cape pigeons and "Mother Carey's horses" The captain
an albatross of large size with a barbed hook
and hauls him in to within a few feet
of the deck, when he gave a violent pull
and carried off the barbed hook in his mouth.
A number of Cape pigeons also, who present
a most beautiful appearance, swimming within
a few feet of the stern, in flocks, perfectly
unconscious of harm, Another gram brewing towards
in the afternoon, at 11 o'clock the wind
again springing up fair from the N. E. and we
went along finely all night.

Tuesday 24. 55°. 21'. 61°. 2 Quite a heavy gale
all day with rain, wind fair, from the N. E.
and ship, through with little sail, going
along finely. We have a tremendous
sea which occasionally breaks over us and
we are in the waistcoat, carried night over the
stern, one of which threw a great Mr Eyre
from his footing when he fell directly upon
his head and broke it. As the sea is so rough
the ship pitches fearfully so that we can
[illegible] but all are anchored under the
[illegible] going along so finely. This wind held
all night long.

Wednesday 25. 55°. 56'. 65°. 00' Forward at 3 o'clock
Ann Lagoy to, with a strong gale from the
S. W. Head ahead, and nigh crossed.
[illegible] being my cold and the fact
[illegible] all the [illegible], which made a

did so example day of it. No breakfast till 8½ o'clock and from then. Tomorrow we the wind hauled a little further off to, great numbers of gony, mollies and pigeons passed the ship. Squalls of snow rain and hail at intervals all day.

Thursday 30. 56°.15', 63°.26' at 1 o'clock this morning while lying to, opened with a heavy gale, a most tremendous sea struck the ship and seemed to us below as if it would overwhelm us. And so great was the shock and bulk of water on deck, that she seemed to debate whether to settle and sink or rise, It was a fearful moment and one which was felt by all. It continued very rough the morning when it abated some and the other moments rose, Just after breakfast a ship running on course dead ahead was discovered under double reefed topsails, which a good many supposed to be the C Colon, We gradually gained on her, when she went about on her larboard tack and we stood on. We followed her example a few hours afterward, and are making rapid strides now for her again. After a great deal of time and trouble spent we this morning succeeded in taking a very large albatross measuring 11 feet across the wings. They was a great scrabble immediately for the different parts and the tube had to contend himself with the head, which is quite a trophy, measuring 10 inches length, the beak which hooks over curiously is 5 inches long and quite a curiosity, the head has been preserved. Why shan was one foot and a second joint, which being hollow serves as an excellent stem to

to the different stations, as in the other case the storm continued its success — all day, to a most a cunning degree. A great many were much depressed and were engaged reading the Bible and in serious conversation. The ship at each roll seemed as if they would go on her beam ends, and the water washing over us continually, making the decks appear like a gushing river. We had taken the precaution to have our main hatch battened down after the last gale, but still the water found its way through in quantities. The barometer fell to 23 and it was the most disagreeable day decidedly we have had since leaving home. I have seen few sunsets of the beauties of calm weather.

The night came on dark and gloomy, enough to distress any one and I could not feel cheerful for my companion quarters at home and thought of the family circle, and felt gloomy enough. I spent a couple of hours with two friends in the station in my pleasant conversation and wishing to forget the storm in sleep, turned into my hammock, which is swung for the second time, tonight, and I am just into a deep and was only awakened about 12 by my accidentally falling out to a distance of some 12 feet. Fortunately I did not hurt myself as I feel after a feather. Wednesday appears a pretty bad one —

Wednesday 23° The gale this morning has moderated and with the assistance of a heavy sea, which rolled me right overboard a dead calm. The sea is

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Friday 27th Oct. 26. 66. 19. A most lovely morning
ocean quite calm, thermometer rather higher,
sky clear with but little wind, but what
fair. I went aloft but could see no-
thing in the appearance of the horizon. The wind
gradually increased all day and we have made
a fine run with slow sail set, for these
latitudes. The land south of the Cape was
seen, though indistinctly, this afternoon,
and if we have this wind we should be clear
probably in the course of tomorrow and make
to steer North West. Had great sport all
catching porpoises, or hauling them, some
of them were very large and different in appearance
from those at the North. They yielded a good
deal of oil from the head which oil is said
to be purer than any produced for fine purposes.
I also have been catching albatrosses with and for
making nets, at which I have progressed
considerably — Our living continues excellent
fresh provisions, preserved meats, apple pies
and puddings. Fresh bread &c — from part
of our daily allowance of flour. We have started
today a new stock Co this is the nature
of it. Subscribing 5s. to a purse which
will be given to the one who guesses nearest
to the day and hour at which we will
arrive at Tasmania.

Saturday 28th Oct. — Our fair wind
lasted till 12 M, and since then lie about
6 this morning we lost the calms. But we
are now to the west of the Cape. Almost fortune,
a fair wind came up for a couple of hours and
died away again. Immense number of all
kinds of birds peculiar to the region around the
Cape this morning, least one of albatrosses flew

tobacco juice, the horn after much time and care I succeeded in separating the skin from the membrane, and the result is a very pretty bag either for a lady or tobacco. I dried it by filling it with meal. It was a most splendid bird, the largest I ever saw and was caught with a hook and piece of pork the hook just catching inside of his bill.
Snow and hail squalls at sea at intervals wind dead ahead. S.W. making my little headway. Sick enough of the "Ocean" — Days breaking on the deck, Staterooms wet, Hatches closed and battens down. We shall reach wind port only on the waters of the Pacific tomorrow.
Saturday 28th continue from previous page. We succeeded in taking any as yet. There is a regular swell drawing falling which makes it very disagreeable on deck and also below. We have this full benefit of the "long deep swell" of the Pacific. As yet I feel it. This as near as I can judge is the only thing peculiar to the Ocean: perceptible by the steadiness change.
I wrote a few letters when just on the longitude and 25 miles south of the Horn so that you can get something right on the spot. I was called away while writing to see them pass in an immense albatross 11 feet wing spread. Boys caught with a hook and piece of pork. and saw the spirit commence in earnest. about 20 of these large birds were wheeling around and lighting in the water, for the moment built them out to sea and in their eagerness to secure it, as they thought, several were hauled aboard and the strange bird examined. Every body of course was astonished, said for face, some heads and

wings 1st and a period of hatching and cutting up commenced, that I never saw equalled. This plumage is beautiful in the extreme and the quantities of feathers enormous — We have been becalmed all day, except a few occasional puffs, and have not been able to get an observation, towards night the wind has got up a little

Sunday. 29th Apr. 1853 Spent a dreary and wet, with a strong head wind veering to a gale, We spent the day beating first to the S.W and N.E. Making little or no headway. No observation,

Monday 30th, 57°.53 = 70°.06 The wind died away entirely about 12 last night and it has been almost a dead calm all day. Spent an otherwise almost intolerable dull day in reading. Prescott's Mexico in which I became much interested and derived much profit.

In case being favorable it is pretty well decided by a majority of passengers to put into Callao instead of Valparaiso, which will shorten our voyage probably and give us an opportunity of see the Ancient and wealthy City of Lima —

Tuesday May 1st, 57°.53 70°.10 Rain and heavy winds, ahead from the N.W. very heavy sea all hands below

Wednesday 2d Mar. 53. Tremendous sea and wind this morning and through the night, Mr Morgan quite unwell for a few days past.

Played a few games of chess. Dull, dirty weather, made a little headway and the afternoon as the wind moderated and hauled a little more off

Thursday 3d Mar. 53. 100 days out today and just off Cape Horn, Wind ahead again

morning N. W. seems to have gone back, as at the east of the Cape, the prevailing wind was S. W. which veered around now.

At about 2. o'clock both mates started suddenly on deck from their dreams — I found that we had been struck by a most violent squall, and as the had considerable sail set, there was not enough for the few sailors. It did blow awfully, and with the howling of the wind through the rigging the rolling and pitching of the ship, was a fearfully grand sight. It continued to blow hard all night. But we are getting out sorts of weather and I think I can safely say that I have seen as Bad as this worst, and if not in so true and staunch a ship as the Pacific should feel and write just as I do. al[illegible]

Friday 4th, 58°.15'. 72°.30' Head winds still. Cold, chilly and wet. Heavy squalls coming up every hour in the day. Playing chess greater part of the day.

Saturday 5th, 58.07. 72°.15' The morning proved finely, and for the first time in a number of days, the Sun shone out in all its glory at its rising. The wind hauled more [illegible] but got good sun observations, a change in our favor. In the afternoon it came out of the S. W. and we up sail and with yards sharp braced up stood to the N. N. W. which gave us a good hope of something better in the future. Played a number of games of chess and am getting exceedingly delighted with it.

Recapitulation of Shakespeare's Cargo —

Monday 6th 57.03. 73.30. Another bright morning. The wind veered round from the S and

Quantity, which change we can make on account of being abeam we do not make over 5 to 6 knots. Squalls — We had a heavy hail squall which pitted our decks today and the thermometer is lower than we have had it before — 29 & 30. Ice forming — Cold enough but the thought that we are getting above them we are complete with "tip top" fare. Saw a bark today crossing our bows going across the Cape Tryal before the wind, going like smoke. Mr Morgan is still confined to his berth as he has been for some days past with [illegible]. Towards night home a change came over the spirit of our dream and instead of the dull, muggy weather, the wind came around fair and steady, the barometer rose, the mercury shot out bright and away we went first 5, then 6, then 7, then 8, then 9 and finally giving for the 24 hours brought us 10½ knots.

Monday 8th 35. Lat. 45.16. After the splendid run of last night we are all in good spirits. The wind still continues, and also the squally weather being fair helps to push us ahead — Spent the day reading and playing chess. Several heavy falls of hail of short duration. Had [illegible] sighted 2 sperm bottom whales playing within 10 feet of the ship, which gave us a fine view of the monsters. Porpoises also about.

Tuesday 9th 39. 55. 79.06. Had a most magnificent run all night, wind right aft and comparatively smooth sea, making 10 knots easy. This still continues and we have sailed most beautifully all day, indeed it [illegible] any thing I have ever [illegible] Mid Gate — Nothing of [illegible].

Wednesday 9th 52. 50.16. 29.05 Most splendid wind night aft all last night and which continues still with a promise of holding no some time, every thing set. Stunsails alow and aloft, 8 to 10 knots and quite a smooth sea, steering N.W. West. wind light east of South. Lay fleeks of Cape Pigeons. The air to-day quite pleasant like each of spring. We shall have now the gradual change from winter to spring and to summer that we had on leaving New York, Cape and Shakespeare, respectively of my time

Thursday 10th 52. 57.55. 79.21. The wind through still fair has fell quite calm and we make about 4 knots all day with a fine smooth sea. and every stick of canvass. the Sailors are all busy getting out sets of old sails rigged on us, Staysails fore and main royals 1° for the trade of the Pacific —

The Atlantic and Pacific Tract Society Co for the improvement of morals," gives its operations to day. 50.4 subscriptions the whole found to be given to the nearest Guesser to the hour of arrival at Callao. The one spoken of some time since has of course fallen through. Saw low minnow alongside the Ship he went down and rose a number of times, giving us a fine view of him — Great Numbers of Birds about. Some of which we caught.

Friday 12th. 55. 67.07. 79.05. The wind light all day, till late in the afternoon, when it began to blow and took a steady & stiff breeze which carried us 8 and 9 knots all night. with every thing set. Whale about — Sail descried in the morning standing in for us, we soon passed her at Sockett. Common Sugarloaf, shined each in equal and bright. but could not make out her name.

Appeared to be a Calafornian bound-
Bound south of the West Indies Bermudas-
Bermudas from. Ship [illegible]
Saturday 12th 50. 45.02 79.50 Wind ahead and
my little of it. Brig John Pettis. for California
came up and passed us. owing to the light-
ness of the wind. She left Rio 18 days before
us. we had no chance to speak her as an
account of the heavy swell and light wind. she
could not approach near. Head calms
towards night. a most lovely day. mild
as May at home. though it is winter here.
Albatross about, caught some 3 lbs. great
sequence for Jonny heads. fast wings &c
Great flock of pigeon - Whales about.
Sunday, 13th 50. 44.10.79.38 Magnificent
breeze. night after going along S. to S.E.
[illegible] rain squalls,
catching rain water, dence in the morning.
wind continued all night.
Monday 14th 53. 41. Wind strong
from S.W. fair. Going along gradually -
obliged to take in stow sail and square
sails all set. the sail clear [illegible]
the water. 8 a 10 knots. Latitude of
Nantucket. South today. nothing of interest.
Tuesday 15th 53. No change. fine wind night
off, every thing set again. heavy rain last night -
Cloudy all day. no observation, breaking out the
water in hold. found good. 19 cents - Regist off Ft. Calle
Pain.
Wednesday 16. 53. 30. 50. Fine morning. light
winds, changed and light rain with much rain in
the night. with wind we usual the compass changes
of rain all day. at intervals, 11 o'clock dead calm.
Dense out. quite [illegible], Capt. [illegible] 6 bells. cloudy -

Bathurst Island,

Thursday 17. 56. 35.56. 29.45. Light and variable winds all night with rain. This morning opened fair and as fine a day as ever passed, has just closed. All hands been to-day taking down and rigging up rear fore yard and gaff, Some got into a boat and rowed a few miles, Albatross caught to-day, Whale alongside, Had a fine weather during day having caught considerable water took advantage of it — the evening was most lovely and the ocean as calm as a lake.

Friday 18th 58. Most lovely morning, but a dead calm, Just after breakfast we discovered a large school of black fish and as the ship was laying motionless in the water a party was soon formed for the sport of harpooning them and a boat lowered accordingly. By this time they were close upon the ship and we expected that they would lance and almost alongside, but they soon sounded and came up half a mile astern. The boat gave chase and soon came up with them, Jim Packard an old whaleman was in the bows ready and let drive at a good fellow, but it dived and down they went again coming up a mile astern further. They followed again and this time got him fairly — and we could see them travelling off at a great rate, drawn by the leviathan, This put us all on the qui vive and I proposed we should get into one boat which was acted upon immediately, Douglas 2nd Mate, commanding, They were about 6 miles astern now and after a hard pull, we came up with them, and fastened onto their line. The rest of them attracted by the struggle and

blood of this suffering comrade, we kept away
him and we found ourselves in the midst of
this whole school, rising every moment all
about us and threatening to capsize us, we
found it necessary to keep them off with
our oars so close were they. And if we had had
a lance along could have killed 20 of them.
In the midst of our excitement the iron
broke and let him loose to our extreme an-
noyance and disappointment. They all scooted
immediately and we followed them a long time
with no success when we got off the beat of
this gam which was quite unprecedented for the
first time was also the death of water which
we left in our hurry we paddled for the
ship after a couple of hours of the most in-
tensely exciting sport which gives one a
most excellent idea of the whale fishery —
McSmith of our company having his amazing
gave the old fellow two barrels loaded with
slugs as he rose, which made him jump —
He loaded up again for a couple of attempts
getting on the water just ahead and getting
pretty close. Killed them both with one
barrel, which is as good a shot as I ever
saw. So that we did not return empty handed
Getting back to the ship another party took the
two boats for a run, and after a fine dinner
a very gentle breeze having sprung up a sail-
ing party was made up. Thus spent a very
pleasant and entertaining day. There black
were very large and the one we run fast to
would have made 5 Barrels of oil — The whale
say it is more more dangerous taking of them
than right whale, but having good leaders
that was not thought of —

Saturday 19th 03. Calm all night which still continues, Land ho! at sunrise this morning! Jumped ashore and saw land. Low Islands appeared in sight quite plain to view, after breakfast, thought about 50 miles off. a boat, consisting of Phie Walden & 10 others got the Capt's permission and started off laying in water provisions, guns and ammunition, to prepare for an emergency. At 12. m they were just below the horizon out of sight and we were then just 50 miles south. They expected to be gone two to=morrow when they would regain the ship as she passes. We moved slowly along all day with a light and gentle breeze, and also a slight current, which set along the south eastern side of the Island. And Tuesday night had gained a good deal on them so that they were quite broken, having lives and mountainous outline. In the afternoon another party, which I was with took measures to go to the shore also, but as there was too many, urgent to go it fell through till we got near the land, in the morning.

Sunday 20th 03. Here with the Sun. The Capt appears quite anxious about the boat which left yesterday, and as the wind we have been waiting for there. We has gone to bed, to be bound till their return, to make matters worse, a fair breeze has sprung up for the first in a week, we have been detained, heating back & forth for them. Worked a short but got away. Immense shoals of porpoises as far as the eye

can reach, gain bottom, about, I think a sketch of the Island as it appears. There is one high peak about 2000 feet, and the land on this side is all elevated, on the other, when the desired time ~~[illegible]~~ the land is low and fertile. Peaches and varieties of fruit abound. The climate must be lovely, at all seasons of the year, from its situation. Albatrosses & various birds, we take to be albatrosses, [illegible]

Had our usual Service on deck the weather being fine. We are ~~standing~~ beating all day towards the island; but the wind being dead ahead make very little progress.

Monday 21st. 03. We have approached to within 10 miles of the shore after beating all night and have seen nothing of our absent companions, no lights or fires from the shore we assume to be equal. We all feel very anxious for their safety and Mr. Griffith especially is almost inconsolable. A gale has been coming on all night from indications of the barometer and it has blowed very hard all day so that we have carried only close reefed topsails – if which continues, we shall not be able to land in safety. We can plainly see the huge breakers on the apparently inaccessible shore. This is a grand looking Island and we have had a fine view of the mountains. Of all kinds. The mineral, fellow, the largest we have seen. Passed along the side of the ship for upwards of half an hour, in full view, besides grampuses &c. About 3 o'clock P.M. a heavy black squall broke upon us with smart rain, which hid the land completely, which was only about 4 miles off. When this passed over the wind changed to S.W. from land so [illegible]

Month

this other side with care, thought, to the mouth
cleared it was a dangerous matter; towards
night the land was again visible, and we
stood in before the wind. Not feeling well myself.
I turned into my berth about 7 o'clock when I
was aroused from a half sleep by a most
tremendous hurrah, from those on deck, on
discovering a light from the shore in answer to
ours, which things the passengers are much
incensed against them for detaining us 3 days
and the consequences, and cursing the Captain
and all so much anxiety you may be in good
spirits accordingly. It remains yet to be seen
whether this will come off tomorrow and all safe
Mr Griffin, George Tibbetts are among the number.
Phil Walden & mustaine before. The island presents
on this side the same mountainous characteristics
but more regularity, and symmetry, the boats
being more of an height. I should like much to
have gone on shore, but I suppose it will
be impossible now. If this had not occurred
a short profitable passage to the Dardanelles
by this time we might have been fairly buried
Thus left = Mr Mc Donald

Tuesday 22d. 63. S.E. Trade

I arose as most of us
did this morning at day break on the bank out
for our sick boat and after 2 or 3 failed
attempts, succeeded ~~one~~ much resembling her.
A great difference of opinion exists whether it was
her or no. But on coming from the breakfast table
our doubts were all removed. As they were almost
alongside. With Hanna only, 9 persons and
Mr Griffin was tenderly alarmed as her fate and
we were among the missing. A dead calm was
followed as usual according to agreement, but
we could not restrain ourselves and in a few

moments are friends were busy answering and asking questions. Mr G & Lieut Bonne came off from after six a whale boat, belonging to Mr Peirce a Yankee, who has settled on the island and is reaping a golden harvest from the California ships stopping, there. There is only 14 persons on the island, of whom one woman and 2 children are Sandwich but the Yankee and his spouse the rebels. They of course had their stories and excuses to tell. of their hairbreadth escapes and adventures and seemed sufficiently pleased at their escape, that they had done perfectly right, and the whole plans of the mutiny, seemed disapproved. They brought all sorts of specimens of rock, lava, canes, peaches and fruits, wines, mint, fowls, stones, &c which I purchased a few. They landed on Sunday morning at 8 o'clock bring out we might with a heavy wind. They found this Ship Brooklyn, 180 passengers, twenty six days, Capt Richardson treated them with the greatest kindness inviting them to his table &c, lending boat, and rendering assistance. He reported that he was 60 days rounding the Horn and that he saw the architect and Ship Empire both damaged. He had been in a week and went to sea this morning direct for San F. The island abounds in plenty of goats, wild hogs and asses, pigeons in plenty. Peaches & figs grow wild all over the place. But the former are out of season. Monday night the Slept in Prince's cave and the next night in Peirce's house, which as the few others is composed of out stone walls, cats and chickens grow wild also are now. Just this moment, marvellous stories of their escapes in ascending the most inaccessable crags about —

and I should finish my journal, if I should write 20th part of this, I do. We immediately attempted our course as soon as this was aboard and stood on our course with a fair strong light breeze. Mr Griffin wished to water the ship here but the Captain would not consent, which led to quite a altercation between them. It would cost a mere trifle to do it here. But we could get no provisions or anything else, and Mr Griffin exactly. So now we are on our way again, go to Christiansted, and every thing right and taut. We are have lost 3 days —

We bought some nice fish, which are invariably 3 cents. crawfish. Gone aboard from St Croix — from which some native manufacturing Garments in the Crusoe style, They were much taken and in any plight as to clothes I was glad enough to get on board — At morning the island is just visible and tomorrow will probably be "knocked down". We wind from the S. E. have increased somewhat, and with stern sails alone we slept winnowed over quite nicely — It may be the S. E. trades which will soon be very important. The Brig Sarah McFarland passed Christiansted before, and in this morning for water in the fleet.

Wednesday 23d Oct. 31.15 The S. E. wind still continues going along quite nicely 6 or 7 knots most the greater part of the day. Seeing no island. I am becoming quite expert, I [illegible] grifin the jailer Cage, [illegible] quite [illegible] [illegible]. A large schooner of Carnfield passed close to the ship. Pointing along little to many steam engines — Quite [illegible] of meeting of the Cotton Stock Lotting Co.

to determine whether the detention by the Oman adventurers should affect the claims of each member, and which caused some hard words - which passed off without much clamour -

Thursday 24th. 63. No observation 28.13. Cloudy weather. Splendid sailing all day. Every thing that we draw is wet. hands busy, upon the mizen mast, sending down the old and up the new mast, Day rather cloudy, but pleasant. Meeting of the New England Shareholders, for the purpose of bringing a suit in Calcutta, Cayo &c. Relating the Wrongdoing Jew. - Mr Morgan disposing of his Knives by lottery - Tickets without Profit - 50¢ - finished my sewing. Great excitement occurring for others drawing blank as usual -

Friday, 25. 63, 25,52 The wind holds fresh, and we have been travelling beautifully, I wrote a long letter to Caroline and now added my thanks to Fair Some serving to occupy my time.

Saturday 26. 63. 22.56. Splendid Run all night 8 a 10 knots. all rejoicing at the prospect of Sam being a third. Disposing of the Knives by Mr Morgan how extraordinary going on this Sunday. George Tabitt set up his Splendid set of carving knives valued at $50.00 60 chances 50¢ = $30.00 all. drawn by Weatherson, the last man in the ship who should have drawn. Then a spyglass was disposed of $10,00. 60 chances 25¢ Dunham drew it. Knives also. it was discontinued, Sunday Calm about 4 o'clock of short duration New Kinds of birds about. Bringing up fine night.

Sunday 27th. 63. Moderate breeze from the Sunny quarter. A large ship 8 miles

off on the weather bow passed us, appeared to be a Palaemon. Set the crotchet sail for the last 2 days — helps a good deal. Rather cloudy this morning and appearance of rain — immense whale alongside the ship for a long time playing and gambolling. In the afternoon saw 2 or 3 in the distance jumping in the water, rigging themselves at a great rate. Fine breeze through the night.

Monday, 24th. Oct. 18. 13. 77.30. Light wind all day. 2 large Skiddos passed astern; they have a sharp fin upon their backs with which and their teeth they attack and destroy the [illegible], by seizing his tongue — a very formidable monster. Beautiful birds. So, mainly. Fresh breeze — good luck at Chess —

Tuesday, 29, 70. Cloudy hazy pleasant wind light no observation. Calm all day — fails asleep. Carpenter & journeyman, Francis, got a light breeze spring up fair —

Wednesday 30th. 70. 12.30 P.M. a light breeze all day which increased towards night. Land was discovered this afternoon. A school of sperm whale, spouting nearly. Chase all day — most [illegible] day. Carpenter — painting and cleaning up ship, preparatory to going into port.

Thursday 31st. Oct. 12.30. Fine breeze, morning — A most magnificent sight. The Land rising on the lee bow — light and fair breeze all day — in the morning we could see no than the side of the mountains, which could be seen 50 or 100 miles back from the sea. Some violent up, before us, with their magnificent summits, rising majestically [illegible]. Presenting a beautiful sight. At 12 noon land became visible at intervals along. Changing clouds that all go to steal the back, and as we in

lieu of rain, which they never have in this country. But as we were running so slowly all day, it was a matter of some doubt whether we should get into harbor to-day.

At 12. M we were only 29 miles latitude from the Port. We gradually progressed till the land began to loom up distinctly, first a long, irregular, line, and after attaining also this, some 15 miles, we came upon the San Lorenzo Islands, which passing by this the sun strong up finely from the S. E, which induced the Capt. to fire two rights in thanks. It was now after dark, but a fine moonlight night. We then shaped a course up, before turning the point of the island and found it necessary to beat, to run up.

All was excitement, and no one thought of turning in till our good old ship was safely moored in the harbor of Callao.

Our tacks were necessarily short, but made with great effect. And the order "tacks & sheets, main topsail haul, and let go and haul," the order for coming about, had to be repeated only 3 times, when at 20 minutes past 11. the anchor was let go, and the sails furled, and by 12. M. sails all cleared away and every thing snug aloft and alert. It was done in a very orderly manner.

The harbor outside in the afternoon was filled with thousands of pelicans with their sonorous beats and pouches and the water was swarming with pelicans & flocks of other kinds of birds.

We find without doubt or question a number of Yankees, Peruvians and Germans in this locality. Good night to Callao. A heavy dew falling -

Friday, June 1. Ferries NO anchored within a mile of the City which from here does not show to much advantage. 8 o'clock A.M. the health officer came on board and immediately after breakfast, as we had a number of sick boats alongside. I with the rest went ashore. We found the Same Parker, John Decatur and Brig Geo Emmy here the only Packet masters. Heat excessive here and the accounts fully authenticated. No American Man of War in port. Always a number of Eng & French. The Peruvians have a number of miserable old hulks of the most forlorn appearance, manned with most wretched soldiers, and the whole equipment of the most miserable description. They however have 2 very perfect fortifications, in the form of a circle, which command the harbor. They are built upon the side of the old City which was destroyed by an earthquake. We soon were landed safely on terra firma, landing on the mole which is quite an extensive place — Every thing I came near seemed again to see and the sensations of stepping ashore after being on board 59 days were delightful. Great droves of jackasses carrying burdens were the first thing seen All driven by one man, setting astride on the tail when drive them, by twisting the tail — They are hard looking animals, with their ears cut off generally. In addition swarming all around the streets, eating in common with the hogs, who are considered as Conductors of the pestilence and a fine of 25 Cents is imposed upon the one who injures one of them. They are disgusting looking birds like a large crow and the streets are full of them, & find good many Americans and English who are

the principal merchants. Almost all the horsemen wear ponchos and mounted saddles, and stirrups of wood in the true mexican style, making a singular appearance enough. The market place is quite an extensive place, but they have no enclosures as in Rio. On one side on both sides of the side of all hands of maize and the intermediate space which is only a large square, is filled with men and women vending all kinds of fruit, oranges, apples, figs, tea, water melons, bananas &c. The oranges the best I have tasted. The town is quite small and somewhat what meets to be seen. The houses are most all one story in account of the earthquake. they had 2 shocks, last — here. They are generally formed of mud, the walls made of bamboo and mud plastered and dried in the sun. They have the most beautiful banana trees in the world here, which are very general. I should like if I could afford it to buy and — Postage prepaid here: 02½ 1/2 ounce. per steamer — A mail leaves up to Lima to-day, but I shall go north to Paita tomorrow, it is 9 miles and they charge 1.00 in stages. The streets are poor and badly paved as they have no sewers, they are dirty enough. Just to the right of the city about half a mile. I noticed so many fruit, vegetable gardens and cultivated land. The harbor is not as fine as Rio. changes of my jaw and — Saturday. 2d All hands started this morning for the ship for Lima. The morning was quite cloudy and foggy and I would have been certain that it would rain had it been any where else. It was favorable however as it protected us from the hot sun and earlier land and sea breeze, as the majority intended walking and enjoying and seeing each object as they passed in place — to the stage and paying $1.00 We got off at 8 o'clock with revolvers and knives, to keep off any

parts of bandits who infest the grand road. They have 3 large stages drawn by 6 horses and which drive very fast. The road to Lima is about 100 feet wide and for 9 miles is a gradual and straight descent from Callao. It might be made a magnificent road but is in most wretched condition, filled with round stones and the dust occasionally a foot deep, which makes the walking delightful.

After leaving Callao there is nothing of interest for a mile or so, except a pleasant and fertile country stretching back to the mountains, but poorly cultivated, and the different plots divided by round walls say 3 feet high and 18 inches thick which answer well and if in repair miles back may mean, it must of this kind bounds the whole length of the road both sides in a similar state. About a mile from is a little group of cane and mud houses on the right hand side, filled with men, women, children and jackasses indiscriminately. In one of these we saw a most beautiful woman. On the other side is a common which was occupied by women washing clothes and herds of goats and jacks, which are a most useful animal here. As you pass along the road you meet long trains which drove of jacks, carrying on each of them two large cities, very jointed by

The mules have immense panniers and carry what from their size seem incredible loads. The donkeys and cows also the same as mere carts, the market women with their loads of vegetables on both sides. What is very amusing to see a donkey carrying fresh cut grass piled up twice their height and pieces of bushes on their backs to keep them from eating it. About 2 miles out you come upon a church in a ruinous state with some pretensions to beauty however. It is not tenanted by lepers as a place of desolation to show around which are scattered the numerous images on the exterior,

3 miles from here a large crypt, stands alone in the middle of the road, with a number of emblems upon it and wreaths of flowers and lines placed upon it. A hundred yards from here is another Chapel, larger than the other and the front most curiously carved and worked, with any quantity of images. Though like the other in ruins, this is about half way, and one of its outbuildings has been turned into a refreshment shop, and is quite a stopping place. Between these 2 points fertile fields, though poorly cultivated. Once the road and you see here and there large forts, crumbling from age and in the distance the ruins of Pomo Splendor. Everything about looks like decay — on this road so far. You see corn growing luxuriously, yams and a great many plants that I have never seen or heard of before! This is the all designing form of the earthquake, excavified for this fair land was laid waste in and night to its form. it reaches to within 3 miles of Lima, and a Private Yacht, a Frigate also taken from its moorings to run to this place where a crypt commemorates the event. 3 miles of the same kind of road and you begin to see the beauties of Lima. I forgot to say that beyond this for some distance the road is flanked by a regular Mexican Chaparral, which harbors some hardened characters, who occasionally rob the passenger. The road at this point makes one and forms a circle with a white wall around about 7 feet high and seats built around at intervals intended perhaps for lunch pegs. 1/4 of a mile beyond is another precisely the same and again another the same distance, all in fine repair. The road here also is much paved and presents a fine appearance, This last circle 1/2 a mile, the whole distance to Lima a mile or so the road is lined with 2 rows of beautiful rows of trees.

forming a complete shade for the pedestrian. The walk is free from dust and is perfectly delightful. A stream of pure mountain water runs along the side about 6 feet wide which cools the air. You see the wall of the city before you pass through the gates, about 25 feet high. Another circle at the termination of this walk brings you to the city gates which are grand and imposing in the extreme, fortresses with huge arches. There is a grand house just inside the city with a guard of miserable soldiers, whose chief recommendation appears to be their ugliness. You get upon the pavement immediately which is made of small beach stones, which though very pretty, small yet are hard to the feet. The streets present a dilapidated appearance, with a small branch of their little river the Pinios, running through the centre, which improves the city wonderfully. Every thing here strikes the stranger as singularly as in Cairo. The houses are ~~not~~ generally 2 stories but with no pretentions to beauty of style. The streets are regular and cut at right angles, and as kept clean by the flock of buzzards which hang here, and devour all the offal. The private houses of worship are entered by an arch from the street leaving another entrance inside. The better classes ride and drive right up to their doors in this

The road from the gates is rather a common and long, low serious house, may have balconies in the upper stories with blinds, and a coming on.

The streets as far as I could learn are not named and we found so little trouble in finding our hotel, the Palace Hotel, and Bonk'd. or. We joined our friends at last, covered with dust and tired — and after engaging an room, changing our dress and boots, and a good washing, we had a good

dinner and lighting a cigar, started out for a walk alone. Feeling much refreshed by our rest.

We first directed our steps to the Convent of San Francisco which, probably, is the largest building in S. America covering 20 acres of ground, with its immense halls, chapels, vaults, gardens &c. An old man was our guide and showed us all through. The main Chapel is gotten up with gilding and show. After seeing this we passed through an immense hall, its ceiling elaborately carved and crumbling from decay. This led us to a fine garden with some beautiful flowers and trees, but showing a lack of care and attention. The walls almost all through have pictures upon them at intervals some of which are fine, but a great many miserable. We we walked now along passages which the monks inhabit, on in courtyards, now in chapels, till we saw everything was seed. There is a monotony about Roman C. Chapel, that makes the repetition of seeing tiresome. We then strolled down through a few of the best streets which are all remarkably clean and pretty well paved. They have in few cornays almost every one walking barefoot. Their houses are very fine indeed and they manage their fruit, and make quite a fashion with their ponchos, immense spurs, and long whips attached to the handle, trailing up on the ground. We met quite a number of American here, who are doing well. After visiting a few churches and lounging through a number of Bazars. We returned to our hotel, we tried to sleep and after that lighting a cigar took a chair at the door to admire the charming scenery, which lies to south above Lunes, and an remarkably beautiful

After an hour or so spent in this way I turned in and slept very comfortably, though my room mate and those about me all complained of the clouds of fleas, which destroyed their sleep entirely and almost drove them wild.

~~Sabbath~~ Sunday — June 3? Turned out up with the sun feeling pretty stiff, though, from the unusual exercise. After a light breakfast I in company with friends went to Mass at the Cathedral, which is the most splendid and richly endowed building in South America. They have an altar of solid silver and the paintings, images, carvings and furniture are of the richest description. It is beautiful in its interior, being very large. The pavement is of large square bricks in the shape of diamonds and the pulpit and arrangements for the priests in the centre of the, the sides the arches are enclosed with carved railing. You see splendid images of the Virgin Mary, Christ and the Saints with gorgeous vestments. Here is the tomb of Bolivar as it is situated in the centre, with an entrance at each side. We were not admitted there as it is usually opened — The fortifications on the entrance about this city and the walls are very good, being carried by streams from the neighboring mountains. The chief attraction of Lima however is the beauty of the ladies. They and those in the coast some other of Rio, and the Americans find great favor with them; and not unfrequently they will show some mark of attention to a stranger when standing in a crowd or church if they take a sudden fancy to him. They can do this with propriety, as upon any occasion it is customary for ladies to be covered and veiled so well concealed, but only and in their days and evenings — [illegible] to

an effeminate disguise. The first being a shawl thrown over the head and face with the exception of one eye which is exposed. The ladies never wear bonnets, but always shawls which are remarkable for their richness. Their dresses are also rich in the extreme and tasty. They have the most beautiful little feet imaginable, and all shoes seem rich with embroidery. They are quite fanned by the messengers of this fact. I have seen a great many rich parties, and they ride low and drop beam-wise. The lower classes and I believe all in the country ride in the masculine way accept their saddle which is in very bad taste. The gentlemen dress with good taste, generally wearing moustaches. The Castilians have remarkably fair and clear complexions.

After breakfast and map I went to the market place which occupies a triangle and some distance down the streets leading to it. I spent an hour or so very pleasantly in this place. It was crowded with all classes and sexes, not a few very pretty young girls, who did not seem to be displeased at the ardent gazes of Col Americanos. They have a fine assortment of fruits of our kinds, according to the seasons as we do apples, grapes, &c. The best fruit I ever tasted I think is the chirimoya which is magnificent. Thus this town has its meat market with a good variety — attended almost altogether by women. — Great many of them, unencumbered by dress with their sleeves bared and daggers of knives — At the market you can buy and

sorts of articles, as specimens of all kinds, spread their assortments out to view. Though the market is open to day. Sunday is much better observed here in Rio as almost all the shops are closed and the City generally has an air of quiet about it. Notwithstanding this, they have their bread fresh and cut fresh on this day. The Clergy are by far the most licentious class in this country and do not attempt to cloak their sins. They are guilty of all sorts of vice. But at the same time, the people are made this compassionate ~~[illegible]~~ to them. This leads to a great laxity of morals, among all classes, which is deplorable. I went into a number of ~~a great many~~ some of the churches of a little more magnificence and thus occupying.

After dinner I went to a small church to meet the Rosa and other old friends and ~~commenced~~ taking up my residence with the old gentleman. It lays acrosse the image of St. Thomas, about a half mile from our hotel. The wind is very fresh now, but at some seasons, when the sun melts from the mountains, it is quite an extensive affair. It presents quite a chasm looking from the bridge, being about 75 rods and about 70 feet wide, in the centre is an island, with shrubbery upon it, fronting a few rods —

Now you get into groups of houses, one hundred and this different images of saints, mostly black figures. The church is rather a poor affair, and the monks are ready to beat and sell any thing for money. 2 or 3 were so ready to show in assume, eager for the church. So after looking around to

see, the old rules — drapes, pictures and
images, which were not particularly in-
teresting, with the exception of an excellent
portrait of Pizarro, he lead us to the
ancient tomb, by descending a few steps —
It is a flat basement, in the centre of
the building stands open at the top —
This was about 20 feet square, and in
the sides were the tombs, some of which
had been opened, showing the remains of
a civil community, bones &c. While I
was taking some of the bones for a tenth
or so from the old men, the rest of the
party went into a small room which
was filled with old monumental pictures,
images, &c. while I was now closely
occupied in examining and appropriating
the remains above. Suddenly they had
gone. I started at this sudden &c. to
run after them, when the sudden
movement was too much for the worn
and crumbling pavement, and away
it went under my feet, when by a
complete twist I caught myself on my
knees, and crawling was soon in a
place of safety. At the moment I
did not comprehend the danger, but
found that I had escaped falling into
some 50 or 60 feet deep, filled with ca-
rcasses. I should not have been missed
by my friends, as they would have supp-
osed I had gone to the head, and
could not have heard my cries —

My clothes, now in a hard state from
the rain &c — I found their hand
at work, with their [illegible] Pizarro, cutting

not a fresh or fragrant, as they can by find it, in the almost defaced paintings — and pocketing anything about them worth a sou. After getting every thing out of them we could, we left, after examining up into the belfry, and ringing the bells for them. The Grand Duke Jr. & his and attendants, saw the Grotto begging out, and it is hard to get rid of the impertinents! The Opera company used to perform tonight and as I intended to go to Calles Terrazas I stopped in to see the rehearsal and saw the Theatre, which is large, with a splendid box for the President. The fancies was the massacre of St Bartholomew and they sing pretty well. There was a good many in there, which could not be allowed at home. They have 4 tiers of seat. Just opposite the Theatre is a long Colonnade building which is one of the handsomest in Lima. Its compact is occupied by stores & shops, each excellent elegantly fitted, the proprietors being Germans — The shops are new fitted and have splendid assortments of goods of all kind. Wages are 3 dolls per day — for mechanics —

After dinner I again strolled about the city, seeing something new all the time. I was introduced to Saint Falls in the Terrazas Navy, was a Quaker and a smart fellow. He is in the Steamed Firmar and Cumarino — from New York, where she was built. She is a real beauty and gives universal satisfaction, and is the best repair they

here in this Navy — The soldiers in Lima though dress looking Customers, yet are pretty well disciplined — and their music is good.

The next block above our hotel opens upon the grand Plaza, in the centre of which is situated a fine fountain. On two sides of this, are occupied with Colonnade buildings, with friezeships just sets of gas & the passageways in front being covered and neatly paved — On the North is the President Palace, which is rather a humble looking Mansion. My Lazaretto occupying the whole side of the Square and running back some ways, 2 stories the lower one on the Square occupied as shops, which is quite respectable.

The furniture is very fine and costly, and the Carriages and horses excellent, He is a fine old man, though they have a strong opposition and an open rebellion was quelled only a few months ago and they are now setting up on the trial of the ringleaders. He is wife is represented also as one of the best of female souls.

They have a fine Museum here containing a good many old Incas curiosities, but it was not open at the time I wanted to see it. I understand from those who saw it, that it was well worth seeing.

I was sitting with a party of our fellows on the bridge which crosses the Rimac which has a seat along each side, being from stone, and is a favorite resort on the evening as the wind blows coolly along its valley, when the vesper bells sounded out clear and musically, reminded that

and muttered a short prayer. Mr. Griffin and a few friends came along at the time from a week and I could not help noticing the expression of the days of our dear American friends. Our church is singular and pretty too. As a great many cactus are located in this country, this plant is used as an ornament to the pavements of all the public walks and better class of houses, describing circles, diamonds &c and being as durable as the stem itself. The sides of these courtyards to houses are generally ornamented with paintings, some referring to the occupants business, for instance if dealing in tea &c Chinese scene. Sometimes referring to the objects of Pizarro &c which have a very pretty effect. I only saw one carriage, little and small and, but they have a few chairs &c like at Rio.

Monday 15th. As I did not engage my room for more this morning, I made up my mind on arising, and after breakfast, taking a short stroll to take a last farewell look. I in company with my one friend went to the gates to get a conveyance for I had then engaged nothing to take us out. I found that the stages were good but could take my choice, either on a single or in a great vigo, so packed out down by merely giving word for a load, I adopted the last and off we started, running into a hole, jolting us almost to death. The roads were very bad and the roads dusty. I engaged the ride needs and a couple of days found us in Callao. Then 12 M. After breakfasting my worthy friend & boat mate starting off to the ships, when I arrived found

in time for dinner, to which we went I dine
instead, my sick having given me an appetite
I had a fine wash after this and putting on
my California negligé, spent the afte-
noon in a state of rest. had a fine night's
sleep and rose early

Tuesday 5th. Went ashore in the
morning to tub wash and bath at Carlos —
I spent the rainy forenoon, walking about
the ruins of the ancient City, which is a
melancholy spectacle indeed. It must
have been a city of considerable magnificence
and size from the large foundations and
ruins of fortifications which still remain.
There are a great many tombs and it
which have never been opened since the
earthquake, but the majority now open
and showing heaps of skulls, bones &c of
the humanity. The whole is low and
almost level, running to the left from
the present city, to a point, some 3 miles
and about 1½ miles wide at the commencement
It is like wretched farm works, the soil is
light and angry sand with chert.
The surf runs high all along on both
sides and the shore is composed of entirely
of smooth pebbles of most regular and
beautiful shape varying in size down to
the most minute, I went ashore to
dine and in the afternoon went sailing
and visiting some spots about the bay —
Wednesday 6th. Went off shore for a cruise
this afternoon after a fine rate clothes wash
spent chiefly on board, Ship
going to sea Friday, all anxious for
the arrival of the English Steamer from

Panama, with news from California, a great many have gone from here along the Coast and they are starting every day. The American Consul even Mr Johnson has gone, but left a substitute.

I went about the Custom House to-day. In the first I saw an American who said he had been in 7 months for some offence and did not know when he should get out. I felt somewhat for him but he had a bad face. I saw him out the day we sailed. Another man a Peruvian was in for murder condemned to eight years and then be shot. The passage money above mentioned was 62½ $ to Panama to be paid on a single letter, under circumstances I declined sending on. This has mentioned me in his, though I had some 20 pages written, I sent for my trip on board the Men of war in the harbor, French Ship, Pensacola, and Steamer, English Steamer received treated. The Sch Decatur is the only Californian in port with us. Aboard she has a clear set of passengers and claims. We have been quite intimate. They take 7 more passengers fill up and the ship in the bay. A good morning, hope God again to bless to see a great possessing of the Copper Christ. which comes of honour, but I have said enough of this subject.

Thursday, 7th Started early this morning with fine wind in our boat, for the San Juan del Sur. There are thousands of birds in this bay, clouds, pelicans, &c. We got of river - wind after breakfast, and had fine open

till about 12 o'clock, shooting on the Inlet when we started for the shore and reaching our boat, first partook of some refreshment we had brought with us, and then strolled about the island. It is the most dreary place imaginable, consisting of large hills of legal sand, and large flats of soil, though on the highest peak, which is marked by the mighty dews, the potato balance was first discovered, and there equals there.

There are some Cornish in the island and a commandant, though we saw none. We moved back to the ship in time for supper, and employing up a little, went ashore to spend the evening and have a little time as we said tomorrow, Friday, 8th. This morning another miscellaneous assortment of things, sheep, turkeys, beef, cabbages, pumpkins, potatoes &c. came on board with the balance of our seaters.

Our friends came back from Lima and speak of it as the greatest sight of their lives, the ceremonies most impressive, military display fine, and above all the glorious beauty of the ladies. But I saw enough of this on Rio.

The English Steamer got in this morning from Panama, bringing more glorious news from the "Diggings" with a fresh account of bloodshed in San Francisco. Very quantity of "lumps" came with the passengers, some of which I had the pleasure of picking, which are not a third larger than pea. The Cutter Ewing arrived yesterday and I went down and the rest accordingly. We have taken one gentleman and wife, child and dog on board as passengers. He is a Swede, served in the Mexican war, gentlemanly man. The second was interesting face. Lady quite, dog very ugly—

Capt Eaton brought a splendid dog to take to the mines for protection, at 6 P.M. we hoisted our anchor, and bid good bye to Buffalo everything being arranged, after spending a delightful week. The Deserter had an uneasy stand of us. We had a fine, fair breeze, and being our time turned in early —

The last thing I did before leaving shore was to take a long farewell look at Old Buffalo —

Saturday 9th. Land out of sight this morning, fine breeze all day — time slips by nicely. All settled down to the same old routine. Fold ahead!!! Very cool indeed, Coats comfortable.

Sunday 10th. Moderate breeze — Uneventful yesterday and today, Service by Mr Stevens as usual. Cloudy and lowering! Great quantities of fish. Caught after I forgot to say, that the Colon passed Oswego 25 days ago. they say and was not going to stop, she will beat us there, Great deal of trouble there from the excesses of the Passengers —

Monday 11th. Moderate breeze all day making longitude. Getting on stages rigged for the passengers together of the Ship launches for landing Cargo at San Francisco.

Grand Dinner today. I will give a short description. The waiters, stewards &c been busy for some time with this important repast. Mr Griffin also had not been idle. The company sat down about 5. The table being set in the neatest possible manner. The waiters dressed in white. Neither in the cuisine they had just appeared from Delmonico's. First Course, Soup, mock turtle and vermicelli, Second course, beef, turkeys, lamb, mutton, chicken salad macaroni, lima beans, sweet potatoes. Dessert,

cannot and then jellies, apple sauce, &c
Then, apple and pumpkin pie, tart, and
puddings. and ale in abundance to wash all
down. Then oranges, apples, almonds,
raisins, and bananas. And last they
not least. the best of Champagne which
put us all in most excellent spirits.
Toasts in numbers, we drank. first Mr
Griffin. our gracious hosts, all standing.
then amid tremendous applause Mr Smith,
Capt. all standing. and of hearty cheers.
to which he responded. and gave in return
a toast, wishing us good health and sweet
absent friends, sweethearts and wives —
we all thought of. Old Zac. Harry Clay.
and in fact, everybody you can think.
of some of which we may write. Then
followed some short excellent speeches.
from a good many. there songs Patriotic
and festive and which we kept up till
a late hour. till all got pretty well warm
ing with their own joviality and at 10 —
all was still. The utmost harmony and
good feeling prevailed.

Tuesday. 12th. 9.16. 85.10 Gentle breezes
still. nothing new this morning. large
school of black fish. and three whales
close to the ship. one of which was
wounded by a harpoon. which was fired
at him. and this may be pinnipede now
not slow. Finish writing

Wednesday 13th. 8.43. 83.00 Gentle breeze.
whole about. Albacore caught. played chess
all day. Read the Flirt. by Perkins

Thursday 14th 7.44. 83 Light variable
gentle breeze. Nothing new. I play a good deal

Chils, which Kills them better than any thing else. In the afternoon the trades increased to a most spanking breeze, before which we carry stingsail and flew along and night. Weather delightful.

Friday 15. Same. Steer continues with prospect of continuance. Steering west for most the third weather fair —

Saturday 16. 5.0 A.M. - 94.40. Steer continues fair than ever. which fair and pleasant about. Chips and washing day this time. An accident occurred today, which was some considerable thought. The screw at the wheel being insufficient but the helm has been and third then completely secured —

Sunday 17th 5.20 A.M. 94.24 Steer continues, Monday. and season. Thermometer 80 — Serving to days as usual

Monday 18 - 5.57 102.07 Steer. fine trades. Night before the wind. Chips and the Knight of Guyana.

Tuesday. 19. 5.18. 102.30 Steer continues, making ready for celebrating the 4th July. Weather growing warmer each day

Wednesday. 20th 2.55. 104.38 Steer continues. Same [illegible] Nothing strange or uncommon —

Thursday 21st 1.00, 106.45 Steer sailing. Most lovely day. Night to mention the time the wind holds as good as ever. The sailors have nothing of consequence to attend to. Having had [illegible] and sailed we left Calles. Chickens [illegible] occupies my time. I manufactured small model for celebration today. We are going to have a great time on the 4th July. and since copy the general orders. which were published today

Head Quarters 2d Brigade, 1st Division June 21st 1849

General Orders.

The Brigade will parade for review and inspection and for the Celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence on Wednesday, the 4th day of July, precisely at the quarter hour of the Ship Pacific. ——— Brigade line to be formed at 10 o'clock A.M. the right resting on the Lee monkey rail. The battalion of Artillery will parade and fire one gun at daybreak, and at Sunrise will hoist the American Colors under a salute of 13 guns. The Band under Drum Major Lefferts, playing a National Air, during the firing. Major Walcott of the Artillery is charged with the execution of this order. He will make a requisition on Commissary Eastabrook of the Ordnance Department for such Cannon and Ammunition as he may require for the service. Coe Magee of the N.E. Regiment will detail a guard for Police duty, and will report to the Brigade Major. Major Van Wagenen of the Fendaudin Battalion will detail a color guard & will report as above. Lieut Col Commanding Contingent will report to the Brigade Major, for such fatigue duty as may be required.

The Brigade will act as escort to the Civic Procession and at the close of the Ceremonies will fire a feu de joie — and be dismissed. Further orders will be issued after the final notice of the Committee of Citizens appointed for the purpose of making arrangements for the Celebration.

At Sunset the American Flag will be struck under a salute of 30 guns and a Volley of musquetry — The Band to play National Air — Major Walcott of the Artillery and Capt Sigels of the Hartford Brigade are charged with the execution of this order. Commanding Officers will report to the Brigade Major, the date of their Commissions, and will be posted according to rank. Return of defaulters to be made from each command — to the Brigade major before 12 o'clock on Thursday 5th prox.

A Court Martial will be held on the Parade ground the [illegible] day of [illegible] for the trial of delinquent [illegible]

Consignments —

Invoice of Merchandise shipped per Ship Pacific for San Francisco, for sale of James Pardow

New York

7 3/4 doz Brass pins	No 11	42¢		3.25
7 10/12 " "	12	125		9.80
1 " "	13	150		1.50
2 1/3 " "	14	150		3.50
6 1/4 " "	15	150		9.37
5 1/2 " "	16	180		9.90
2 1/4 " "	17	150		3.38
6 " "	18	250		15.00
3 " "	19	300		9.00
2 1/2 " "	20	300		7.50
2 10/12 " "	21	200		5.67
1 1/3 " "	22	450		6.00
15 " Rings assorted		25¢		3.75
24 pair Earrings		30¢ per pr.		7.20
39 1/2 doz stone sands		20¢ " doz.		7.90
Net				$ 102.72

This Invoice is subject to a discount of 25%. I have done so to enable you to sell the whole Invoice as it is, at whatever advance you may procure as soon at least 33 1/3 % profit —

New York January 5th 1848.

Sailing Orders Continued

Mr. The following Officers are appointed — First Lieut — James Wright, Brigadier Staff, Pro-Tempore Lieut Clark Sims. 2nd Lieut — Warren Foster
Lieut Clark — do — do
" Abbetts — do — do
" Upson — do — do
Lieutenant Dill. Lieutenant at Arms —

Mr. Sims having been commissioned as Brigadier Major on the staff, Lieut Col. Wm Wright, as Brigadier Major, will be obeyed accordingly. A Major Brigade

Invoice of Things Consigned on
Ship Jas. Frank Martin for
San Francisco. For sale on afe Grifiths.
1,26 Williams Lane,
[illegible]

Description of Saya & Manto, as worn at Lima by the ladies of the Nobility.
The Saya is a silk petticoat, with numerous small vertical plaits, containing about 30 yards of silk and costing some 50 or 60 dollars. It is drawn in close at the bottom of the deep, so that the wearer is obliged to make very short steps, 10 inches say. It is a little elastic and conforms to the shape, whether natural or artificial, from the waist, down.
The Manto, is a kind of cloak of black silk, it is fastened to the Saya at the waist, and brought over the head, and shoulders, from behind concealing everything but one eye and one hand usually ornamented with jewels. Before the Manto is arranged, a fine shawl is thrown over the shoulders and brought between the openings in front, hanging down nearly to the feet. The Cover Saya is also much worn, this is not contracted at the bottom and in walking has a great sweep from side to side.
Lima. June 7th 1849.

Invoice of Under Shirts per
Ship Marietta to San Francisco for
Sale on a Flight Blooming for Merchants
Mr. Robert Wilson Esqr

20 - 8/10 -
- 9/12 " 15 M. 30 216.5

Shipped per Barque Alonzo, San Jose
1 Case pretty in Cans

The Wanderers Return.

(Written upon my mother's grave)

Broad, round and green, that in the summer day,
With garments of waving grass and grain,
Rehearse and breathe forests, bending lie,
With deep, the sleep grass in respect
When trawl one shall we be, the bounteous

Bryant

109.05

Friday 22d. 00. 109.05 We had a slight shower this first in 6 weeks or more. Still remains splendid. Crossed the line today at 12 o'clock. Wind gradually died away to almost a calm as we slowly crossed it. We had a slight breeze again towards night which lasted all night.

Sat. 7th

Saturday 23d. 102. 00 We have got a gentle breeze this morning, going along 5 knots, which gives us hopes of escaping a calm on the line. Had an interesting little squabble with a large head about a trivial matter. Fair breeze again this afternoon. Sat. 7th

Sunday 24th 3.18. 109.30 Fair breeze steady. We have carried these trades since leaving Lucas Fernandez, which is remarkable. Service today as usual. Sun very hot. Wind S.E.

Monday 25. ——— Squally all day — Wind changed to S.W. blowing fresh. Raining at intervals, quite hard at times. Caught quite a supply of water for washing, which I am getting quite familiar and by this first time. Not much cooking and washing of merriment, and all this Catania the day. Most splendid water spout quite near us, which took us out from the dining table, accompanied by a heavy squall, of wind and rain. Squally in day. Commenced bathing. Night very dark and very impossible [illegible]

Wednesday 27th 10.17. [illegible] Strong wind and sea from S.W. [illegible] Fired guns and rockets, all hands been [illegible] for the celebration [illegible]

Singing Club, met each day, Military Exercises and drills in each according to Committee of Making Stolen Goods. Phil W. manufacturing a Bonipscoll, Tempus fugit.

Thursday 28th. 12.45. 111.13 Spring westerly winds all day, which obliged us to have up sharp, and put us somewhat off our course. Meanwhile anxious to get the N.E. Trades, which we ought to have had. Great deal of boiling tossing the water being quite rough.

Sweet times, fine moonlight nights, sat out on the end of the flying jibboom till quite late, watching the plunging of the Ship, as she buried her head in the waves.

Friday 29th. 1.53. 111.17 Spent most of the day fixing Helen's boat. Plunging ship & announced of change in the weather.

Mr. Capt promises the Trades tomorrow. "If no wind" Hoping light wind tonight. Nothing new.

Saturday 30th. 10.19 Ship braced up all day, raining almost continually, unpleasant weather. Ship Abay! for the fair Time Bried leaving Calleo. Watched her with intense interest till she approached close to the which she shunned the Bilbao and sprung away again. We wanted to speak her badly but it did not get notice. Blowing strong wind, heading N.E. 30. Our drawing-room the Trades.

Sunday July 1st. 15.19. 113.05 Rainy and blustering head wind. Clear off about 11 o'clock and had an regular twined on deck. Wind still ahead, no prospect of the N.E. Trades.

Monday 2d. 14.35. 115.00 Quite calm and day Gone. Parade and free drill of the N.E. Drill

at 3. PM to-day. Large diamond fell about the stem which we endeavored in vain to take by hoisting without buoys. He was not as large as the one seen in the Atlantic, but was a monster still with his attendants. Splendid moonlight night, singing and dancing very. Tuesday 3rd 16.31. 115.30 South Lat. This morning ~~Blow hot~~ Making no headway. Promised fair day on the morrow. Most lovely moonlight night, ended see we afternoon —

Wednesday 4th 16.39. ~~115.30~~ I was awakened at day break with 10 others to fire the first salute. The morning was most beautiful and the day was as fair as could be wished, with a gentle breeze to cool the tropical sun. At seven o'clock all the bunting about ship was raised with a salute of 13 volleys — and immediately after breakfast there was a general turnout of the military all in uniform. The New England Militia in fatigue uniform and hats, the Boat Club California hat. All the sailors, except at the wheel, as a Marine Guard, Eastern Guards in uniform —

We had manufactured a good drum and had a good fife for martial music. We had fine singing, a splendid sermon and after a few de joies the troops were dismissed till 7 o'clock —

At 3 o'clock all the passengers on board formed fore and aft let down in gangway dancing at which the utmost hilarity prevailed.

We then paraded to the forecastle and sang in numerous regular and irregular forms, men sunk with great applause. Mr Whitney Capt was President and was surrounded by his officers under arms and some of the committee. Round the forecastle. On singing among others "Home sweet home" Pennsylvania and — At 7 o'clock We met again under arms and at the tambourine

of the Colors we fired a salute of 30 rounds in the space of 2 minutes in platoons of 10 each. All of which went off well. With the exception of a few rules got slightly intoxicated and becomes noisy, every thing went off splendidly and I hazard no strong in saying that the day was never spent at sea in such an appropriate way and on such a scale. In evening was met by a good many sights such as chained bears animals &c we got up for the amusement of the ladies and all, having been under arms all day, with the exception of dinner time. We were dismissed pretty well and I believe found one in the arms of Morphus. I might write for a dozen pages if I particularized the actions and incidents of the day. But I think enough as so I shall get a copy of the order of proceedings which I am — Suffice it to say there was no accidents ——

Thursday 5th 1820. Lat. 36. Head wind what there was of it. Tempest. Done fast well to day. Lively day. Nothing of interest. Splendid moonlight night.

Friday 6. 1820. Lat. 36.20. Head legs wind. Nice sunset, said to just after breakfast and being dead aleeard, Bingham got his barrel of air ready for him. They were going to 8 o'clock when they came up with him and fired him to the air. Brig Oscola from Phil bound to California, 65 passengers. They treated them with the greatest hospitality and backed ship and then pretty close to give them a good close to meet. A small line go on board with the state being clear to inquiries. We had light airs considerably so and we almost the whole fleet; They promised to come aboard tomorrow if the

[illegible] in sight. We found that the Colon had
put into Tarcaguana on the 27th May and that
we were ahead of her considerably. — We soon
back much sun burned and tired. I saw a large
sword fish, about 20 feet long, swim thru
bow as I was feeling the fish I have seen
I hooked a shark and Mr Friend another
but they took on hooks off both of them —
and escaped.

Saturday 7th 1257. 118.04 About day light
this morning had great sport. The Cano
harpooned 3 porpoises, [illegible] they
and we cut them up for oil and then
have which is good eating. This stomach
[illegible] completely filled with fish and squid
which shows that they did not suffer
in that way —, Spoke with Mr Wright [illegible]
[illegible] Mr Fo [illegible] on board as we
West Jerseys well. Tacked ship about 6 PM
and run off North. Took a fine bath —
Tuesday 8th 15.07. Stiff wind and rain —
Cloudy and lowing all day. Lenin as usual —
Porpoise breakfast. Found it fine and tender like
steak. A good many a good deal alarmed at
the Sail while it was [illegible] going away from
[illegible] and rolling [illegible] making a great
noise but doing no damage. The wind hauled
round fair aft and set Stun Sail, the afternoon,
Steering N. N. W.

Monday 9th 16.59. 117.47 Wind N. E. very much like
Tuesday 10th 8.44 118.45
the Trades. Spent the day fishing trail
with Bigelow, All hands making fish lines
with the machine made today. They are up
to anything about this craft.
Wednesday 20½ Wind same, Morning delightful
Sun vertical. Afternoon very cool so that Pea-

very generally used. Finished painting on boat.
Wednesday, 12th. 21.20. 122.39 Rough and a rather
damp yet, the air is very cool indeed and positively
very comfortable. Thermometer 69. Wind strong from
the N. We are running too much to the Westward
being already to the west of Fanny. Writing letters
for the last few days — Slept on deck for the
last few nights. —
Friday 13th. 22.07, 124.34 Very strong wind N.
Course N N by W. Air very cool for the latitude
(22) Nearly wind, writing to Caroline — Increased to
a strong gale for three latitude, as might come
on taken in top gallant and close reefed topsails
and made all snug. Sea might Uncomfortable in
a slight degree of Cold. Air cold and damp.
Saturday 14th. 23.40. Wind died away
somewhat, though still cool and disagreeable
We have had the southerly N.E. Trades since
last Sunday, but they have done us little good,
blowing abeam all the time N. and E. All im-
patient to get clear — heading N W by N —
Sunday 15th. 24.50. Wind North,
heading W by N. half N, and mizzen lower
yard was sent to the Sandwich Isles and down with
it — Series as usual —
Monday 16th. 25.35 Light wind all day,
making hardly any headway — we have been
beating about for 10 days, which is terrible
Air cool, weather cloudy and dull. —
Tuesday 17th 26.18 26.18 Calm all day —
Same as yesterday, Long flocks of Wild fowl crossed
Altogether, seemed to enjoy the cool weather,
They are a good deal Tired when they leave off
the sun. Sometimes in three days time one
of little accuse, but I have found a few minutes

dents for the last few days and our manner of living &c. Our water has been most wretched for some time past, tasting like the essence of all sorts of bad smells combined and forcing us to hold our noses, while drinking. Oh for a drink of cool water from the iron bound bucket at home!" At night it is the most ludicrous sight imaginable, to see the different forms of the sleepers, who finding their berths hot, come out, and at night occupy every part of the ship, dining tables, chairs, and settees, as well as the dryer of rheumatic, suspended from the ceiling. After 11 at night, all is quiet as stars and then the rats, who have found many tidbits, have free sway, nothing loth, are frolicsome in their gambols, leaping and whistling — Almost every day brings to light some little claim of the youngsters who are uncomfortable. The bed bugs also begin to do their work and cause a good deal of trouble. I have lost a deal of blood —

Wednesday 18th, 2 o'clock 42 — Miserable cold all day; Rose in sight; but distance to windward; Ones just make home from aloft to let reefs of his against this night; Spent the day in manufacturing, or completing my carpet bag, which has occupied a good many otherwise idle hours; This evening got up an excellent burlesque Dance and overture, Burmah by half a dozen characters, which brought rounds of laughter, as do all the stopping places, we meet bring out the New York cries. Cabs sir &c —

After this some good singing — Hauled this this afternoon and stood to the N W by West — Ross bearing —

20,54, 130.37

Thursday 19th Quite a stiff breeze sprung up about 11 O'Clock through Tuesday night — Ship heading N.W and N.W b N — Ship becomes again, same as yesterday, spinning yarns, making knots and seeing all day Reading the "Whim" by Innes, and Chip — Then go, but this air my end indeed — Reminiscences of Lima, Checha, and other doubts —

Friday 20th 27,28, Same as yesterday, strong wind. N.W. Sail immediately reduced to wind-ward. Cold and disagreeable altogether, Wind from the N b E. Sailing within 6 points on a taut bowline,

Saturday 21st 28,42 132,14, Wind blowing strong throughout. From the same quarter, a continuation of the Trades. Heavily jammed upon the sail, which we make out to be a ship, lee quite bright, weather very cold

Then 68. Wind increasing toward night — at Sunset took in royals, as the top gallant masts were bending like reeds. The Capt. likes to carry sail and always makes her carry as much as she will bear.

Sunday 22nd 30,35, 133.19. Was awoke at daybreak by the Mate singing out, the Ship is close alongside. We all tumbled out and going on deck found a large Hamburg Ship — Bearing down upon us to speak us. Coming quite close to our quarter she hailed and we found she was from Panama filled with passengers, 73 days out Aspinwall. We received some oranges and good wishes and soon lost the Ship at 12, o'clock she was not only a good distance to windward but some 8 or 10 miles ahead, as she had a fine breeze. We were passing the Latitude

We are this day lying many miles out from the City of New York just think of that, and notwithstanding this have made a comparatively short passage. It is a long pull. All well, not a single accident and I trust we shall arrive in like good order and condition —

Monday 23d 32, 35, Still strong winds from the Northward, obliged to take in royals and staysails, sharp bracing up as usual and heading N W & N, so that we are edging up by degrees. — Said he! again just after breakfast, and in a short time a Schooner, which looked like a nutshell in the angry billows, was made out and exchanging signals, was found to be American, She was some distance to leeward and though desirous of speaking yet it would cost too much time and run us out of our course, The weather being heavy we passed her rapidly, and at 3 P M she was out of sight astern, Sun occasionally shining out today, which is quite a rarity, the air is disagreeably cold, Ther 6°. — These N. E. Trades as they are called, though the wind has been almost due North, for the last 3 or 4 weeks. Prevailing disagreeable weather, cold and blustering, reminding one of disagreeable days in March, with no Sun, and sea rough, and with all this show of high winds &c. scarcely so little heading. — Have not felt well for the last 2 days: headache &c.

Tuesday 24th 34, 20, 135. 27. Same state of things, It can not blow much longer in this way, but hitherto today, some indications of a change this afternoon, with occasional showers,

Wednesday 25th, 38.29, 130.29, Bright Sunshine
Wind dying away. 12 o'clock, Calm
all evening no sign of a change of wind,
In the afternoon, sprung up again, same
as we faced. Aspect, Copy of a Log
11 o'clock, Bright & shark
12 "—
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Reading Tyler, much entertained by the discipline
of the Marquesa, Islands — Gun & boats, Chinese
gun & pistols, &c.
Thursday 26, 38.5 130.26. All the morn-
ing quite calm with appearance of breeze
around us. Weather much milder and
pleasanter, About 3 o'clock quite
a fine breeze sprung up from the eastward,
and we squared in the yards and set our
studsails, fore and main. This put
us all in fine spirits. The breeze fixed
N & by E. but fell off towards night
to E by N. which with the variation of
points in the compass is a little out of
the way. but we are thankful for indeed and
only want it to last for 3 or 4 days —
For my part I have suffered horribly all
day, for having a slight swelling of the tonsils
I got our Doctor to apply Lunar Caustic or
Nitrate of silver, which getting upon my palate
slightly and that to a much in length and
almost round, my uvula, with pain and
the taste, I hope to feel better tomorrow and
to have received benefit from it, The after-
noon of to day has been most lively —
Reading Letter from Europe, very good —
We had a quiet time at night, in consequence of the fair
wind, Sunrise Cleaning Decks a late hour —

Friday 27th 35.39, 133.51 Wind hauled in the night
again to the Northward and East, Ship braced
up, heading E by South, very strong breeze and
sea rough, Ship rolling and pitching tremendously,
Spent the day, mending playing chess,
reading Nicholl being, feel better, though
still suffering from sore throat, In the
evening had another little musical time,
Saturday 28th, 35.21, 130.30. Rough sea and
heavy wind all night, running S. Prom
East by South, by the Compass, with 1½
points variation, by which we gain longitude
and lose latitude, a hard business, the hard
been a whole month, now because and
with head winds beating about, our water is
reduced down to 6 casks and our provisions are
falling off in quality and variety very sensibly,
Weather dark, cold and gloomy, Thermometer
deck quite wet with the spray - which
occasionally breaks upon them, Towards night
the wind seems to have increased considerably
and assumes a regular gale-like appearance,
Going on, I hear Smith from home, only think fit,
Sunday 29th 34.16. 128.0 Strong wind
from the N N E to north, Sailing rather
more free heading N. E. Very heavy sea,
making decks wet, Thermometer down to 50, dis-
agreeably cold and the sun seldom peeping
out, This sailing for the last fortnight
belies most decidedly the much lauded
beauty of the Pacific. We are all starving
along with our lee rail almost to the water
edge, no royals furled, and most caps unless
have topgallants also, Sea running like old
Cape Horn, on a fine day. Dangerous
navigating ground, without sea-room

and very little while, flop, goes somebody to leeward, creating a laugh from all.

The blow are very prevalent indeed and we have become tired of foretelling when we shall arrive. Our voyage from Calcutta was commenced and carried out at some 10 degrees this side of the Line; that we felt, sure of making a splendid trip.

There, rolled from their berths last night from the excessive rolling of the Ship, which has caused dessentry among 2 or 3. I have been reading Lord Anson's voyage around the World, this is a most awful account of their troubles getting around the Cape, in the same month as ourselves. Service as usual

P. M.

Monday 30th 24.49. 124 48. The wind has increased to a stiff gale today, with the same disagreeable cloudy weather, and of course rough sea. We have made more fair headway though in the last 24 hours and that comes a multitude of evils. The thermometer fell to 58, which is much cooler than we have had it since we left the Horn. We headed all day fair, near Clock N. East and N.E. by N. Close hauled, going from 7 to 8 knots, with all light sails set, and the ship remained in the water, making it difficult to stand or walk on deck. About 5 o'clock, a heavy Dirsdown flew struck us and split the mizzen top gallant sail, which was in ribbons and, so as to market we left—shortly after we tacked ship and stood to the westward by watch. As the Cape thought we had been close enough to land, for our latitude,

Notwithstanding to roughness of the weather I made out to wash out a few pieces of clothing, and expect that the next few days will be busy ones, as we may fairly suppose that we will be cashed in a short time, I feel perfectly well, as well as all aboard,

Tuesday 31st. 25.14. Some squalls and night ship labored a good deal with the heavy cross sea, which we feel more on this tack, almost burying the bows in the heavy swell. Slept quite uncomfortable from the great and uneven motion of the ship was endangered of rolling out more than once. Thermometer, 59. Same dull gloomy, cloudy sky, Oh for a fair breeze due to give us our wonted spirits,

It is false that the Pacific is perfectly lovely, in all its headers, for a more disagreable time with the exception of Cape Horn, we have not felt since we left N.Y. Trades prevail in the night and made all sails, From the foresail was considerably torn this morning and got out another to bend on. I was on the yard assisting when a sudden flaw struck us and in a moment the sail was torn from our hands into pieces, cleared from the yard and it was with difficulty it was recovered, by three in dark. Had an excellent dinner, which is somewhat of a rarity in our days. Humpback whale alongside and large flocks of gonies, Headed all day West to N. till 4 o'clock we tacked ship and stood across N.E. by N with stiff breeze. 7½ knots, In the evening had quite an intellectual concert,

Being cloudy got no observation for longitude,
Wednesday August 1st, 30.1 — No San-
Stiffs breeze all night from S.W. quarter
which continued till about 3 A.M., In
the morning carried away the main
t'gallant halliards, which was spee-
dily repaired with no damage. Cloudy
and chilly all day, approaching to a
drizzle. At 3 P.M. we lied gradually
died away, and left us with almost a dead
calm, at dark a gentle breeze again
sprung up, and we headed North —
which is more favorable. I have had the
Tetanus bad all day, and found it necessary
to resort to wine to remedy it in the
evening, Cloudy. Thr 57, Flat. Stats and
unprofitable,
Thursday August 2d, No observation,
Heavy clouds and thick fog about us all day
and almost a dead calm. Air cool and
chilly, and all Hands much disposed,
with an ill success. We are hoping though
as the strong breeze wind has left us, that
we may have a fair one next, when it does
come. Quite a large School of fish, similar
the fish we have seen in Sun times, Two shoals
of large Porpoises were also frolicking about, and
we fished for them without success for some
time. A large flock of strange birds, which
looked like ducks, flew by us, These and
other things, the change of the color of the water
&c give proof of the nearness of this land. It
has surprised me that we have seen so few
Sail about, for a good many ships must have
to n headed off by the same winds we have had.
Our coal was not as we have wanted to the

damage in the hold. We are put upon an allowance of water by discontinuing our tea meal, which is given as well.

In the evening we got up a grand spontaneous jollification, singing, dancing, rattling and rattling and all kinds of noises, by about 15, of which I was one. I turned in about 11½ P.M. and soon fell asleep, but seems that it was light as late 2 or 3 AM.

Friday 3.° — 13 g. 30 Dull and calm, things a slight puff comes along occasionally. The yards are square and stunsails set, to catch any breath.

This morning all was excitement in relation to the hubbub of last night, and a great many who were disturbed were very hard upon it. One Capt. C. even going so far as to chastise the whole party to figure on arriving at L. F. This is all gas, however. We have a whole morning's talk on the thing, which will probably be forgotten as soon as land is seen. We are heading due north, which is an advance if we had the wind we should be there by tomorrow night.

It is unfortunate that we have had no observation in so long as we are in doubt, when exactly we are. No latitude except dead reckoning. 37.° — Monday a dull day, gentle breeze sprung up just after breakfast, which lasted all day, going 3 knots, wind from South East, yards square, clewed up, alow and aloft, on both sides. 11 AM. 2 sails in sight close to each other which we lost sight of towards afternoon. We turned in, and

one out, Appearances of land, seaweed, Mother-
gulls &c. In the afternoon, both watches
at work getting out the Anchor cable
and bringing it, which is always a good
sight aboard. All hands looking out for
land, but owing to the thickness of the
weather, we did not make out, 2 whales
and a cliff passed close to the ship —
Saturday 4th 27, 23, Thick and
foggy, again this morning accompanied with
a dead calm, which is delightful considering
under the circumstances, About 10 o'clock
it lightened up a little in the S.W. and
we discovered a sail about 3 miles off our
starboard quarter, Bingham's boat assumed
was immediately lowered and started to
make her out, friend or foe, and were soon
out of sight, in the weather thickening, shut me
the vessel also. We felt a little anxiety about
them, but at 3 PM it again partially cleared off
and we made her out much nearer and our boat re-
turning, At 4 they were along side and we found
it was the Barque Isaac from Rockport, 55 passengers,
on her 1st Feb 7th, So that we have beaten her
as usual, She was 50 days to the Line, and we 26,
They treated them well and were acquainted with
a lot, many on board, They heard that our ship was
"totally lost off Cape Horn, from the "Phil Howe" and
"Sir G. Cockar" from whom they got papers to Mch
1st, They had not touched since leaving N.Y. and
were glad enough at the prospect of getting
aboard, While they were good a boy was made out
standing out, to the windward, After this party
returned, the Capt. who had no correct chart,
and wished to get some information, started
for her also, And they also were treated as well as could

he. By the time they had returned, the Sukie was almost opposite to us, and they, having a number of pieces of musical instruments, struck up a different air, which we returned with cheers as we as cheering on both Capt. as he came alongside. They returned them heartily, and as I write we are sailing along side by side at the distance of a half mile apart, intending to anchor off the mouth of the Inlet, till morning, near each other. And they promised to come aboard. I forgot to say that land was made out distantly about 3 P.M. and then we have been sailing along at a distance of four miles, — Before making anchor, we thrice the Deep Sea line and it went no 44 fathoms, hard bottom, and again at 2 P.M. showing 59 large flocks of ducks, brant, and geese about, sun fish, albacore, jacks &c But the cream of the day, was the number of whale of different kinds, humpback finback, sun, ugly, blowing and breaching all about us. In fact they surrounded us all day, The greatest sight was the humpback with their immense humps on their backs, rising slowly and slowly, then ascending higher by degrees, till they gradually got their tails up, which they suddenly "turn flukes" as the whalers say. And down they went, showing their broad tails, It was the greatest sight I ever saw of the kind, This has been a day of excitement, A fine breeze sprung up about 2 P.M.

Sunday August 5th. We laid off and on all night and early this morning, got under way for the entrance of the Harbor, the Bark ahead and 2 side forecastle. The shore is low and muggy and the rocks come into view. At the rigging in is the ruins of an old fort, which is on a point and turning this to the right again you soon get a full view of the shipping and town of San Francisco. We had a splendid breeze and at 5 minutes past 9 A.M. we had our anchor down. We were under such headway that our anchor dragged a little, so that we ran afore of a Barque and broke our main yard and narrowly escaped running her down. But now to S. F. The harbor is filled with ships, some across the bay laying up and others at the town as shewing of all sizes. The town presents a most singular appearance from the ship being among hills and thus with clumps of tents, which are occupied by the adventurers, presenting a very uninviting appearance. Capt Tibbetts came aboard accompanied by the Officer of the Port, the first thing and took the remains and gave all notice to quit, in a peremptory manner. I have seen a pamphlet of this on board. We are sent ashore in a short time and a most ludicrous, singular and gentlemanly scene was presented to view. Everything shows that the place is just built up. And groups of all nations Yankees, English, Chilianos, Spaniards, Mexicans &c and Chinese, were wandering about, shewing up the free street I met Young Wood and some more his father, he looked well and treated me

gentlemanly, unusual, After spending
an hour with him I started on exploring
as I saw new and singular objects,
Every thing is on the most extravagant plan
Rum frame buildings of small size, rent
from 75. to 100. per month, 250 per Month
for some stores, and every thing in per
portion, The roads are have clay and as
the winds were high, the dust was most
unpleasant, I was surprised to see
such perfect order and decorum when
all sorts of merchandise lay about exposed
some of the most valuable descriptions
The authorities Congress and Parish se-
cured a party of regulators who called them-
selves the hounds which put a stop to their
troubles, They are still more strict as
the mines, and the utmost order prevails,
a great many goods are most enormously
high and others very low, Board $10 per
day and washing $5.00 per day while
shirts are $5.00 per dozen, the most unprin-
cipled iniquities occur, Gambling is carried on
to a most alarming extent, great piles of
money are lost and won by those returning from the
Mines, One Capt won $5000 dolls in one night,
Passage to the Sacramento $10.00, and from there to the
Mines $32.00, with 100 pounds of baggage.
Monday August 6 — This afternoon got on board
anchored in Happy Valley about 3/4 of a mile from the
landing, have our tents quite near us and waiting
for Tuesday Wednesday Thursday passed away we
engaged in hard work getting ready to go o
things to night. We have all had a
touch of dysentery on Tuesday but soon got
by taking the proper medicine, Every man [illegible]

May 1st 1850 Since writing the foregoing pages, a good many incidents of different nature, have happened to me that I should have had neither time nor inclination to pen. I have passed through a scene of a malignant character and undergone hardships of no ordinary kind, but I still and persevering in good health and spirits.

2d Returned from San Francisco in the 30th Secretary, found all right upon my arrival, Most lovely weather the warm and all nature wearing a smiling aspect, John Bond died on the 30th at 5 P.M. Slight touch of Charlie's.

3rd Saw Ackerman making a moist, of a few days, quite pleasant trade slow, since I came up.

4th Fine better today: Went to town on business but did not accomplish my ends, in consequence of the scarcity of Auctioneers.

5th Town again, Weather delightful, Good tricks of Saw Ackerman about the Mule, hearty laugh, ogling the girls,

6th Cool and pleasant, a shower full sailed and up the river, and passed Cyrus, fine one, a fine breeze, Southerly wind and quite chilly at night, feel fine, revolving schemes for making something,

May 26th Suffering for the last
5 days with a bilious attack
of which I today am considerably better. I was reminded
the past few days, by a visitation
of old times on the Macedonian
Rect. of this nice pond mottling
It has grown and the bliss fairly
bad, so I had been entirely cleared
and being very weak, the pain
of coughing and subsequent retching
I died, and carrying water was
trying. I had sold my [illegible]
to be delivered up per a week,
Bizzy Dwight just received the
water cutter and.

June 1. 1850. Gravedigging is his
usual occupation. I went on and
found that Deco Burnham aged
30, died yesterday of typhoid fever.
Some go. wrote to father and Aunt
Prescott, — Oh for a lady to send
hot today. Called Maria Sa-
dinnd. he. spirited, fill not much
appetite, Finally great robbery $17,000
stolen, I wish to heaven I was
with Lingstand died since sleep.
I have just been to the Funeral con-
ted by the Free Masons, with music and

banner, inscription &c. Quite a number, the best attended funeral I have seen. The music was solemn and fine coming but returning they struck up a quick step, very much like a polka. So we go.

June 2d. Waiting all day as I have been for the last 3. with feverish impatience for the arrival of my purchased. Time hangs heavily, mind felt dulled, and alone, Oh, for the Mountains, Twice I shot, without effect at Mr Kiota, who was running quite composedly along 150 yards from the Ranch. Anything to kill time.

June 3d. Spent last evening in town found that Charley B- has gone home on sick leave, and I am left alone. Read the Service as usual, Sim Ackermann out to tea.

June 4th. Same as 2/6. dull as can be, Oh. for my Cristina,

June 5th Excessively hot, hoping on hoping still. Nothing new

June 6th Disturbed up by Musquitos, quite cool and pleasant this morning, at a loss for something to do. Was awakened this place pr. [illegible] by a large snake crawling about the tent. he made his way from the tent, is filled with [illegible] nothing, should lose his reminds again

June 7 [illegible] flat [illegible] Jamaicatals, I must end this here. Killed a large snake in the [illegible] another [illegible]

Saturday Jan. 8th Spent last night in town quite pleasantly. Just retired found another pair of furniture appeared under the bed, which I removed & quickly dispatched as well as an unlucky mouse who had been disturbing my solitary slumbers for some nights past. Cheltenham

Sunday 9th. Went to church in town

2d Sunday after Trinity

Monday 10th. Splendid day. Walking a much pleasanter day than yesterday

Scene in a gambling hell, French Minute. grab game

Tuesday 11th. Almost blinded with mosquitoes last night, & and still stormy. Blowing a strong gale all day and the air filled with dust.

Wednesday 12th. Cold and dark. today strong indications of snow, one of the glorious days I have spent in this infernal city. Dined with Tom Bull, by this steamer 17th

Thursday 13th Lent. Tom Bulls and another letter by Mr Johnson, Mr. W. at the station

Friday 14 Walking in Hairing my mouth, without success. Tried every day, Cheltenham

Saturday 15th Another great fire in New Brunswick on Wednesday night. Steamer still, wind N.E. High winds for a week past.

Tell her in those Courts above
I'll think of that dear hour
When first she pledged to me her love
In that sweet sunny bower

But this dear tress her own hand gave
With it I cannot part
When I am dead and in my grave
Place it upon my heart

For O I feel I could not sleep
If it were wanting there
Altho' in death I fain could keep
A gift from one so fair

Come brothers you must close my eyes
And make my last cold bed
For ere another sun shall rise
I must be counted dead

Farewell loved ones — My happy home
E'ere shall see you more
For I must slumber here alone
Upon a strangers shore

He died in the Land of Gold

Come brothers gather round my bed
For I am dying now
The last bright gleam of hope has fled
And peaceful is my brow

While reason stil retains her throne
Hlist to what I say
And bear this message to my home
My home far far away

To tell my father not to blame
His wayward wandering child
But kindly speak of his dear name
On whome in youth he smiled

To tell my mother pure & fair
That my last act shall be
To breathe that well remembered prayer
I learned beside her knee

When I am dead take off this ring
And bear it to that shore
Tell Mary 'tis his offering
Who sleeps to wake no more

List of Cabin passengers. Ship Pacific

Name.	Residence.	age
J. L. Cannon	Brooklyn	23.
Elihu Mattson,	do	25
Ben F. Reed	Cayuckie	20
Ed. W. Miller	do	23
A. W. Gay	Brooklyn	35
L. C. Angel	N. Y.	24
J. L. Dunham	do	33
A. W. Hale	New York	35
N. D. Morgan	Brooklyn	32
W. S. Smith	New Brunswick	30
Seth Mattson	N. Y.	32
Chas. Williams	Brooklyn	24
W. Bingham	"	29
W. K. Master	N.Y.	27
M. Hopkins	"	32
E. J. Hopkins	Gt Barrington Mass	25
E. W. Leffert	Brooklyn	26
P. E. Walden	"	25
L. D. B. Stillman	N.Y.	31
M. R. Sherwood	"	26
D W. J. Bigelow	"	25
D W. J. Cook	"	21
W. P. W. Stoughton	New Brunswick	22
L. L. Poole	"	21
W. H. H. Brown	Troy	36
L. Cheney	Manchester Conn	22
P. Dill	Warwick N.Y.	32
J. B. Thompson	Boston	25
W. Bell	Indianapolis	29
W. H. Sulis	Prussia	21
J. W. C. Brown	N.Y.	22
L. A. Morgan	"	28
W. H. Beals	"	22
L. G. Brown	Wash[n]	27
[illegible] Griffin	Westford	36
C. [illegible]	do	36

C. Hall	N. Y.	30
R. B. Hall	"	40
T. E. Powers	"	21
G. A. Powers	"	25.
J. L. Jones	Macon	36
J. Gurney	Berlin Ct	34
Edmund Satterlee	N.Y.	42
P. Reckler	France	33
H. A. Jones	N.Y.	24
W. B. Jones	"	29
G. W. Adams	Orwins Ct	22
T. A. P. Steinward	Hartford	29
A. L. Clark	Savannah Geo.	22
D John Brown	N.Y.	24
C. N. Humphrys	Hartford	24
John Ingalls	do	20
Frank Ignis	N.Y.	19
W. Aichemann	"	25
L. M. Kellogg	Brooklyn	19
Gilbert Reynolds	N.Y.	26
L. B. Packard	Haverhill	25
J. Pettis	Windsor Vt	22
J. H. Gage	N.Y.	37
A. L. Marvin	Brooklyn	23
A. M. Eldredge	N.Y.	19
L. H. Bingham	"	25
D C. Thomas	"	22
H. Cassard	"	31

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Statement of Expenses — San Francisco

Geo Pistol —	15.00	Aug 11 Paid Gulick mdse	18.00
pocket book	1.00	" N Leffert's postage	40
pencil case	50	" postage Mrs Crescent	40
looking glass	1.00	" Cigars	25
Labor	50	" paid Sherwood in full	1.00
	18.00		
Commissions of Glass of Warrington & R.		Aug 18 Paid Gulick in full as per invoice	13.00
		" 20 – Paid Rec. postage	30
		" 21. Cartwright subscription	50
		" " N Yeat	50
Aug 22 Warrington & Richards ofc	43.86	" 22 freight in full to Pacific	43.86
do	8.00	" 22 Cartage on same	8.00
N. D. Morgan's bill of expenses	2.00	" 23 Cigars	15
Bottle in gold dust $2.00 wt. 0 oz	0.25	" 24 2 lbs Tent	23
Half bail twine	19	" 25 Card at sundry	25
		" " pencil and cups	
		" " Alta California	25
		" 27 Paid N D Morgan's in full	3.00
		" " bundle cigars Oldham	15
		" 26. Church plate	35
		" 27 cups in gold dust	10
		" " Paid Westlake mending utile	50
		" 28 Prepaid Postage	40
		" " bundle cigars	50
		" 29 ball of twine	35
		" 30 " 14 cigars	35
		" " Postage on Papers	05

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Yankee. Lays. yankee, High i dare, High i can.

Lines. On a Sailors Boy leaving home.

Wait. wait. ye winds. till I repeat
A. parting signal. to the fleet.
Whose station is no home
Thou wafts the seabys simple prayer
And let it oft be whispered there
While in far climes I roam.
Farewell to father. reverend Buck
In spite of metal. spite of luck
Soon may his cable slip
Yet while the parting tear is mine
The play of gratitude I'll twine
In duty to the Ship.
Farewell to Mother. first class she
Who launched me on life's stormy sea
And rigged me fore and aft
May Providence her timbers spare
And keep her hull in good repair
To bear the tender craft.
Farewell to Sister. Lovely yacht
But whether she'll be manned or not
I cannot now foresee
May some good ship. a tender prove
Will forward in stores of truth and love
And take her under lee
Farewell to Guy the Jolly Boat
and all the little craft afloat
In home's delightful bay.
When she arrives at Sailing age
May wisdom give the weather gage
And guide them on the way
Farewell all. In life's mad mazes
Perhaps we never may meet again
Through steps of stormy weather,
But summoned by the trump of God
Will harbor in the port of Love
and all be moored together.

Ship Pacific
Feb 25th 1842

Charles Henry
Robert Rose
love Emily
love

23° left Newburyport

Jan	Lat	Long
21.	38.52	71.12
22	37.10	52 20
Feb 1	36 48	43 12
2	34.05	40 45
3	32.20	37 30
4	29 55	35 38
5	28.	34.50
6.	26.34	33.30 N.E. Trades
7	23.29	32 23
8	20 28	30 38
9	18 15	30.10
10	15 17	29
11	13 32	28 30
12	9.44	26 42
13	6 31	26.15
14	3.40	26. lost Trades
15	2.07	25.41
16	1.32	25.32
17	55.	25 32
18	8.	24.50 crossing line
19	9 South	24.50
20.	17 "	24.50
22	2.21.	26.30 S.E. Trades
23.	4.06.	28.12
24	0.18	29.19
25	9.08	31.01
26.	11.28.	32 45
27	13.26	34.15
28	15.34	34.37
Mch 1	18.15	35.20
2	20.44	36.25
3	22.36	38.50
4	23.16	41. lost Trades
5	22.50	41.35

8th Arrived off the Sugar Loaf

Apl 3 Left for Callao

4.	25.07.	43.30. Lost Trades
5	25.55.	44.18
6	27.11.	45.10
7	29.12.	
8	30.10	47.00
9	32.15	47.53
10	34.52	50.30
11	36.02	52.00 Rio La Plata
12	38.18	53.30
13	41.15	54.52
14	42.38	55.52
15	44 52	56.29
16	47.39	57.07
17	44.00	
18	48.47	58.46
19	50.37	59.03.
20.	52.16.	59.57

Off Falklands Isles

April 21st	53.43	
22	54.44	
23		
24.	55.21.	61.0
25	55.56.	63.10.
26.	56.15	63.22
27	56.25	66.19
28.		70.00
29	57.53.	71.00
30	57.53.	70.10
May 1.		
2		
3		
4	58.15	72.30
5	58.07	72.45
6	57.03	73.30
7	54.44	75.15
8	53.06	74.06
9	50.16	74.06
10	47.55	74.21
11	47.07	74.05
12	45.30	74.50
13	44.16	74.58.
14	41.00	
15	36.50	
16	35.56	74.45
17	34.30.	
18	31.15	S.E. Trades
19	28.13	
20	25.52	
21	22.56	
22	18.13.	77.30
23	14.50	
24	11 PM.	Anchored in Callao
June 1st	7 PM.	left Callao
12	9.16.	85.10 S.E. Trades
13	8.46.	87.00
14	7.47.	89.00
15	6.00	94.46
16	5.23	97.24
17	4.57	100.07
18	4.13	102.30
19	2.55	104.30
20	1.40	106.45
21	0.00	109.45
22	102 Mnt.	
23	3.18	109.30
24	7.53.	110.50
25	10.17	110.50
26	12.46	111.43
27	14.43	111.17
28	16.17	
29	15.19	113.05
30	14.34	115.00
July 1.	14.31	115.30
2	14 39	
3	14.20	115.34
4	14.07	116.20
5	13.57	118.04
6	15.07	
7	16.54	117.47
8	18.44	118.45
9	20.12	
10.	21.20	122.39
11.	22.07	124.34
12.	23.40	
13	24.40	
14	25.35	
15	26.18	
16	26.42	
17	26.54	130.37
18.	27.28	
19	28.42	132.14
20.	30.35	133.19
21.	32.35	
22.	34.20	135.27
23.	35.49	136.29
24	36.45	136.27
25	35.39	133.51
26	34.21	130.35
27	34.16	128.45
28	34.49	124.44